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Obituaries



WILMA JEAN RECTOR

Former Army Captain Wilma Jean (Clifford-Johnson) Rector of Hanover completed life's journey March 1, 2015, at Androscoggin Hospice House in Auburn after battling with Multiple Myeloma Cancer for 16 years. Wilma was the age of 62 and 10 months old, born to Ruby and Leonard Clifford on April 19, 1952 in Woodsville, N.H. Wilma's love was abounding, and known to all who had interactions with her. God, Family and Country were always her focus, and in that order, and there was always order.

Wilma graduated from Longmont High School [Colorado] in 1970 having been on the National Honor Society, and ranking ninth out of 569 students, and subsequently

received a scholarship to Walter Reed Army Nursing program. Wilma resigned her commission in 1977 and returned to Colorado with her family. Wilma later moved to Brunswick with her daughter in 1988, where she later met her husband Paul James Rector. They married on Sept. 13, 1990 and were blessed with nearly 25 years of marriage together.

Wilma is survived by her husband, James Rector; her ex-husband James H. Johnson and their daughter Leora Lyn Johnson; her mother Ruby Kulpa; her brother Frank Clifford; her brother David Clifford and sister, Patricia Emmer and their families as well as numerous extended family members throughout the Continental United States. Wilma was predeceased by her father Leonard S. Clifford, her older sister Joanne, her beloved Grandparents and many other family members.

Wilma requested in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the International Myeloma Foundation, The Patrick Dempsey Center or Androscoggin Home Health Care and Hospice House. She and her family were

so blessed for the wonderful support and care she received throughout her illness. Wilma left a beautiful impression on all those who met her. She will be missed, but we'll see her on the other side, and that was her comfort and joy in her final moments. Memorial Services will be held 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 8, 2015 at the Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church [43 Perkins Valley Rd.]; Bryant Pond; interment will be determined later in the spring. Condolences may be expressed at www.funeralalternatives.net.

RICHARD C. VALENTINE

Richard C. Valentine of Bethel passed away on Feb. 19 at Ledgeview Living Center. He was 86.

Born on Dec. 24, 1928 in Wilkinsburg, Pa., he attended local schools and graduated from University of Pittsburgh with a B.S. degree in geology in 1950. Upon graduation, he worked for the State of Pennsylvania Highway Dept. for nine months before joining the Air Force, which he served from 1951 to 1955 earning the rank of First Lieutenant.

After leaving the Air Force, he went to work at Hamilton Standard in Windsor Locks, Conn., where he was a Flight Test Engineer for 32 years. After his retirement, Dick and his wife Doris returned to Bethel

to enjoy their retirement there.

They worked on the Sunday River Ski Patrol for 13 years.

Dick was a member of the West Parish Congregational Church where he served as a trustee for three years and was a member of the choir.

He was a lifetime member of the Bethel Historical Society.

Dick was predeceased by his parents Nell and Carroll Valentine, his sister Mary and his wife Doris. Burial will be in the spring.

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clude a pale yellow, pale green, and some are even striped. The flowers can be single like mine, double, miniature, and most have a trumpet-like shape, although a couple are somewhat spiderlike in appearance. Reproduction in some species occurs when tiny bulbs develop around the mother bulb. These bulbets are light and can easily be carried on the surface of flooding waters ensuring distribution during the rainy season. Some others are self-pollinating and reproduce by spreading seed. One of my children has a couple of baby amaryllis, that he raised from seed. (It's important to note that seeds do not breed true, and plants raised from seed take about six years to bloom). Cross-pollination occurs when pol-

linators like hummingbirds and moths visit the flowers. Intense cultivation of a number of species especially from Peru and Brazil has occurred because of the size and beauty of the flowers.

Most folks don't realize that amaryllis is also classified as an herb. Due to its high alkaloid content it has anti-anxiety, antidepressant, anticonvulsant medicinal properties and is used to treat Huntington's disease. It is also used to treat wounds.

I can't finish this article without discussing what I have learned about wintering over amaryllis for those who would like to save their bulbs. It's hard to believe that one bulb can bloom for seventy-five years! The one thing that prevents bulbs from re-blooming is overwatering. Lack of enough sun can also prevent bulbs from flowering in subsequent years. After each flower fades cut it back beyond the bulge or seeds will develop. When the last flower has finished blossoming, cut the stem off about two inches from the bottom. Then leave the bulb in a semi-sunny location, water when needed, and allow healthy green leaves to appear. You should

tain. All "live" animals are giant theatrical puppets created by Trash Into Art - a community collective founded by Newell that uses recycled materials to build puppets and street theater to illuminate social and environmental issues.

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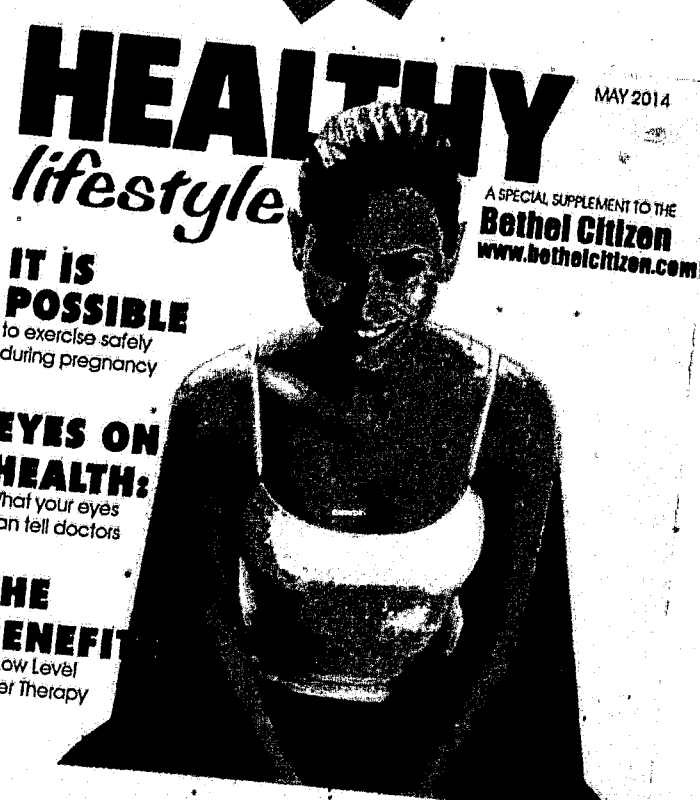
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Letters

TWO SUCCESSFUL YEARS AND COUNTING

To the Editor:

The third Central Maine Community College/Telstar Dual Enrollment Program meeting was held Feb. 24. This program was initiated last year to provide an opportunity for Telstar students to enroll at CMCC for their senior year. Seniors are able to gain one year of college credits while still graduating with their class at Telstar. Currently, with support from Project Opportunity and Sunday River, Telstar students may attend CMCC tuition free. Thus far, 15 students – 11 this year – have participated, all very successfully.

Speakers at the meeting included Cheryl Lang, Telstar Dean of Students; Lori Lindsay, Guidance Counselor and Lisa Cooper, CMCC Off-Campus Learning Director. Each spoke of the strong communication and support commitment between the two schools.

The highlight of the evening included comments by three of the currently enrolled seniors. Jessica Kelly, Sadie Ellsworth and Katie Merrill talked about the courses they have taken, their positive experience while enrolled in the program and their strong support for the opportunities they have been provided.

Thank you and congratulations to all who have been instrumental in making this dual program such a tremendous opportunity for our Telstar students.

Year three of the program will begin in the fall, with interested juniors starting the enrollment process this spring. For further information and/or support, please contact Ms. Lang or Ms. Lindsay at Telstar High School.

Roberta Taylor
MSAD 44 School Board Director

Moose

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eration Game Thief display, the "Forever Locked" display featuring two moose with locked antlers, and the L.L. Bean bootmobile.

Zinchuk said Monday that the previous moose festivals had attracted a significant number of people, including both Mainers and out-of-staters, to the towns where they took place.

"The Moose Festival's going to give the town a little boost earlier in the summer," she said. "We're hoping to capitalize on this event and have a mid-June festival every year, in addition to Mollycoddett Days."

The board approved closing Main Street to traffic on the 13th to allow vendors as far down as Chapman Street, if needed.

Board Chair Stan Howe commented that he wondered if a regular summer festival could be successful if it took place before July, when schools are out for the summer.

Selectmen also approved the closure to traffic of Main Street for Mollycoddett Days this year.

Asked after the meeting what direction a new June festival might take, Zinchuk said, "We see the Bethel Maine Moose Festival to be a celebration of our outdoor recreation and guiding industry. We are developing more extensive relationships this year that we hope will carry forward in future years."

SEWER BILL SUSPENSION EXTENDED

Selectmen also voted to extend their suspension of quarterly sewer billing affecting properties that last year were subjected to a new billing system, which charged some older apartment buildings by individual unit. The new system started last fall.

Last month the board had suspended "additional accounts that were generated by the most recent change to the Sewer and Water Ordinance," from April 1 to no later than Dec. 31 of this year, in order to allow for a review process and the possibility of "implementation of a clearer definition of dwelling unit and any other changes that need to be addressed."

A total of 140 accounts were affected, town officials said. But there were complaints from some property owners that because the system was going to be reviewed, they should not be responsible for bills that have already gone out.

Monday's action extended the suspension of billing for service back to Jan. 1. Previous billings for last year will remain in effect, selectmen said.

CLARIFICATION

WRITE-IN VOTES-In last week's election for SAD 44 school directors in Newry, incumbents Bonnie Largess and Whitney Gray ran unopposed. Other people receiving votes were write-ins.

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COME TO THE SCIENCE FAIR/EXPO

To the Editor:

Greetings to our community. The SAD 44 science departments are hosting a Science Fair and Expo on March 28. Students will be offering demonstrations, the sixth grade will be sharing their science fair experiments and there will be several guest speakers! Our invited speakers are Jim Chandler – Fossils, Ryder Scott – STEM, MadScience Maine – Electricity, Patriots Renewable – Wind Turbine, Chewonki Wildlife – Wildlife Predators, Maine Mineral and Gem Museum. There will be food available as well. Please come share our love of science, Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Telstar Cafeteria area. For more information contact Kate Slattery slatterk@sad44.org, Tonya Prentice prentict@sad44.org, Sarah Southam southams@sad44.org, or Marie Keane KeaneM@sad44.org.

Kate Slattery
6th Grade Science, Telstar Middle School

From the Bethel Town Manager

BY CHRISTINE M. LANDES

As always, it is my pleasure to provide this bi-weekly column for the citizens of Bethel. These past few weeks have been dedicated to planning a FY16 budget and a Capital Improvement Plan that tries to forecast the next five years: It is always a challenge to keep the expenses down while maintaining the revenue proposed for the next year. This process is where a lot of crunching the numbers and looking at the past history proves beneficial. There has already been a few questions on how a mill rate is calculated, so I thought I would clarify that for the taxpayers.

The equation to calculate a property tax rate is rather simple: The amount to be raised from property taxes (Tax Commitment Total) divided by the total tax rate valuation (Property Tax Base) of the Town of Bethel equals the tax rate expressed in dollars per \$1,000 of value.

Example: (as budget was proposed in FY15)
Total Expenditures and Uses for the
Town of Bethel, County/School Tax and Overlay: \$ 6,662,576
Less Total Non-property Tax Revenues,
and Undesignated Fund Balance Allowed: \$ 1,351,918
Tax Commitment Total: \$ 5,310,658
Divide by Property Tax Base: \$410,000,000
Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Valuation: \$12.95
(There are a few additional minor calculations the Board of Assessors do to determine the final tax rate.)

If the community is interested in knowing how much money needs to be cut from a budget to drop a mill rate by a dollar, the calculation is:

Take the total property tax base number (\$410,000,000) and drop three zeros. So essentially in FY15 the Town of Bethel would have had to cut \$410,000 from the budget to drop the mill rate by \$1.00 per thousand.

I hope these examples allow a clearer understanding of calculating property tax rates.

On a side note, the office is now accepting credit cards for your convenience. We will also be able to accept them on our website for payments of waste water bills and real estate taxes. There is an additional service charge to each transaction.

If there is anything I, or the employees of the town, can do for you please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here for you.

The Bethel Journals

Mike Naimy and His Block



Above: The Naimy Block. Inset: Mitchell Naimy and his sons

BY DONALD G. BENNETT

Mitchell Naimy came to Bethel in 1921 after having been a partner with his brother in a clothing and dry goods business in Portland. In 1922 he built the first Main Street brick building, the Naimy Block – now Bethel's Post Office building and apartments. In 1928 he bought the building next to his "Block" now Ruthies from the J.B. Ham Co and converted it from a "grain mill," later a grain store owned by J. B. Ham. He remodeled this building into two retail stores. Then in 1930 he bought one of the oldest homes in Bethel that of the Rev. Eliphaz Chapman on the Northwest Bethel road. Chapman was the man who suggested Bethel as a town name in 1796; his home having been built about 1804 was the second cleared homestead on the north side of the river.

Naimy apparently was born in Syria in 1892 but his school years were spent in Portland. During WW I he had served as company mechanic for a unit at Camp Devens. In the Citizen's special edition of 1931, his write-up noted that Naimy "during the last ten years has done much of a civic nature for the central part of Bethel and we here give him a word of deserving praise." He married Marie Baker in 1929 and they had two sons, John and William. Naimy was also a member of the Bethel Lodge of the Masons and the American Legion.

How the brick building started: Stanley Wentzell (1893-1978) sold the lot and existing buildings to Mitchell (Mike) Naimy who razed the buildings and built the present brick structure in 1922. The '31 Citizen noted, "In doing this he rendered a real service in making an attractive brick building where previously had been an unsightly old house and store." Layout of the new building included three store spaces: on the west side was Seaver's bakery and later Sherman Allen's grocery store (beginning in 1933), the center was the A. & P. Store, and on the east side a clothing store run by Naimy, who lived upstairs.

Six years later Naimy bought the building which had been Calvin Bisbee's grain mill, in 1928 owned by the J.B. Ham Co. which had moved to the former Purington store (where the Bethel Ambulance Center is today). Naimy's purchase also included the Herrick Bros. machine shop

building in the rear of the grain mill giving him frontage on both Main and High Streets. Naimy extensively remodeled the building converting it to space for two stores.

In 1930 Naimy bought the former historic Chapman homestead on the Northwest Bethel road and did much work in restoring the old home, built a two-car garage and a large shop. At this time the Naimy family moved to their new home. So obviously Naimy's clothing and shoe business was doing well. A 1931 note said that he carried a complete line of women's and men's clothing and furnishings and specialized in Endicott Johnson shoes.

On Sept. 28, 1937, fire destroyed the Naimy home; it was first discovered at 11 o'clock in the evening but had made such progress that the house and furnishings were lost. Naimy's shop was saved and Bethel Fire Department was able to save the nearby vacant cottage of William C. Chapman. This cottage was Walter Clark's home until he passed away. (At this point I have to guess that the family moved back to their apartment in the Naimy Block.)

Then in 1938, Mike Naimy thoroughly renovated the interior of his store. The partition between the original store and that formerly occupied by the A. & P. Store was removed. The A. & P. Store had moved next door to Naimy's other building occupying the full ground floor. Later when Ralph Burris was managing the A. & P. he purchased the building from Naimy. Store improvement included new cabinets, display racks, shelves, and counters were added. The Citizen noted that Naimy did most of this work himself.

In 1942 the Post Office moved into the brick building from its short term home in what was once the Hastings Bros hardware store replaced by the new Bethel Savings Bank. From 1905 until 1938 it had been in Goodwin Wiley's post office annex to the drug store.

After Naimy later owners were Elsie Robertson, Harold Chamberlin, Norman and June Greig, John E. Grover, Esther Crockett, Brian Strickland, and currently Carl Clidden. What happened to the Naimys? I will have to save the answer for a later date.

Sources: Bethel Citizen and Rosalind R. Chapman's 1997 History of Bethel's Main Street.

Our Back Pages

BY DÁNNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: Bethel town employees held a retirement party for Bob Pilgrim who had served on the town road crew for 20 years, much of that as its road foreman.

The winter's heavy snows had worn down snow removal budgets and eaten into the salt and sand supplies of area towns.

Deaths: Malcolm J. Bean, James M. Hall, Sherman L. Cole, Charlotte Zimmerman, Neil F. Weston, Edward R. Remington, William R. Kimball.

20 years ago: Gov. Angus King and his cabinet took part in a four-day Outward Bound retreat focused on team-building.

Cub Scout Pack 556 held its first Rain Gutter Regatta, followed by the annual Blue and Gold Banquet, at Crescent Park School.

Deaths: Alfreda W. York, Lillian G. Herrick, Nathaniel Gallagher, Kathryn L. Dupee, Robert L. Buker.

30 years ago: The Brownies of Bethel's Troop 597 sold \$84.24 worth of Girl Scout cookies, and donated the proceeds to feed the starving children in Ethiopia.

Tony Butters had completed his pre-flight training requirements and was to begin officers' training at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas.

Deaths: Vernal M. Chandler, Richard M. Wing.

40 years ago: The Telstar Stage Band traveled to area schools, including Mt. Abram, Livermore Falls, Jay, and Lakes Region, performing concerts and workshops.

Members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship had a potluck supper with the Newry Youth Group.

Birth: Eric Clifford Anderson.

Death: Jafar Devlet-Muraz.

50 years ago: Burglars netted approximately \$25 in a break at Bennett's Garage.

Rev. Donald Hess joined a group of students from the Boston University School of Theology who planned to join civil rights marchers in Alabama.

Birth: James Lauren Bennett.

Deaths: Mrs. Virginia Mundt, Mrs. Zella Smith.

60 years ago: Miss Bettyann Butters was enrolled in a training course at the North Shore Baby Hospital at Salem, Mass.

The Happy Herdsmen 4-H Club sponsored a dance at the Pleasant Valley Grange Hall with music furnished by Lon Wight's Orchestra.

Birth: Peter Earl Williamson.

Deaths: David Walter Ramsell, Charles E. Bane.

70 years ago: The Bethel Village Corporation voted to buy the Rowe's Store property.

Death: Mrs. Eva A. Chapman.

80 years ago: Charles Cone purchased the Bethel and Milton school house and made it into a home.

Carey Stevens was preparing to make maple syrup.

90 years ago: Special school committees adopted recommendations to erect a four room school building east of Spring Street.

The Christian Science Society of Bethel held the first services in the new church on March 7.

A fall of nine inches of snow was recorded in Andover.

Death: Daniel S. Hastings.

110 years ago: Chester Wheeler, manager of the Bethel Creamery, attended a meeting of the Maine Dairymen's Association in Auburn.

The selectmen appointed H.H. Bean as constable and turn-key, and H.C. Barker as constable.

Deaths: Mrs. Catherine Young Kimball, Mr. John Tibbetts, Mr. Sylvester Robertson, Alister DeLang.

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Gould

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THE WINNERS-Kristen Miale (Good Shepherd Food-Bank president), Gould representatives Dave Bean, Aiden Clarke, Skye Fournier and Elle Burbank, John Paradise (Maine's Credit Unions), at the WGME live announcement by Jeff Peterson (right) on Friday. Submitted photo

Spirit Challenge). This also means that the Bethel Food Pantry will receive a check for \$10,000," Lambert said. "The Spirit Challenge was a tremendous opportuni-

ty to bring together the entire school community to do something for the greater state and with direct ties to the Bethel area. We're incredibly proud of our

students, and thankful for the overwhelming support we've received from the faculty, staff, board, alumni, parents, neighbors, and area businesses."

FY'16: SAD 44 could lose more state aid

BY AMY CHAPMAN

Telling School Board members, "We know that it's going to be another challenging year," Superintendent David Murphy Monday provided them with an overview of the process of creating the budget for the 2016 fiscal year.

One component of the governor's proposed state budget is an increase in the required local mill rate for education, from the current 8.1 mills to 8.48 mills, placing more responsibility for funding education on local taxpayers.

Murphy warned of yet another expected decline in state funding, continuing the pattern of the past decade.

The passage of LD 1 by the legislature in 2005 was intended to mean that the state would fund 55 percent of "essential programs and services" (EPS) for education, with

the remaining 45 percent to be funded locally.

However, since the passage of the law, the state has never fully funded its share of EPS, and the amount of funding it has provided to SAD 44 has steadily declined.

"There are probably few places in the state that have seen the kind of impact that we've seen," Murphy said.

He told the board that the initial estimate of state funding for the 2016 fiscal year is just \$182,269, down from \$579,043 last year, and from more than \$2.7 million in the 2007 fiscal year.

Therefore, he said, although the SAD 44 budget has increased by an average of less than two thirds of one percent over the past ten years, the impact on local taxpayers has been much greater.

The board's Finance Committee has begun work on a preliminary budget, and their initial draft reflects a

possible increase of 2.3 percent over the current year.

"In many years," Murphy said, "that would sound like a pretty reasonable amount. However, when you factor in the reality that we're losing another \$400,000 [in state funding] and a question about whether we'll be able to carry over the same amount of money that we were able to carry over last year, there are challenges that we have yet to be able to determine."

"It's possible that even with a budget that remained the same, the impact to the towns would go up fairly considerably, and any reduction below that amount would obviously require a reduction in staff or programs."

"We're in the very beginning of this process," Murphy said. "We're not prepared to get into any kind of presentation yet about what the proposed budget would be."

SAD 44

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does go through, would shelter about 35 percent of the region's tax base from the support of education. [This] would essentially shift the burden from second-homeowners to primary residents."

"In 1965, the cost-sharing formula was based on uniform taxation and assessment of property valuation, and it was done without regard to student population," Polak said.

The formula has not changed since the formation of the district. In 2005, SAD 44 was granted an exemption to changes made by the state to the school funding formula that would have taken each town's student population, as well as property value, into consideration.

That exemption, according to Polak, "acknowledged the reality of how our school system was established."

"We bounced around this philosophical basis of our proposal: a regional school system, a regional econo-

my, and a regional payment system and, frankly, we could not come to any kind of agreement on that philosophical basis," he said.

"So we are, right now, in terms of the negotiations, very far apart."

Polak also distributed a graph which demonstrated the percentages of local funding received from each member town over the course of the district's 50-year history.

According to the figures shown on the graph, in the first two decades of the consolidated district, Andover contributed between 20.6 and 31.85 percent of the total local share of education costs, second only to Bethel.

Newry's share during the same time period, 1966 to 1986, ranged from 5.2 to 8.97 percent.

By 2006, following a sharp reduction in the total property value of Andover due to the dismantling of the Andover Earth Station, Andover's share of local costs had fallen to 8.45 percent.

Newry's share, reflecting the increase in property values attributable to the growth of Sunday River, had risen by 2006 to 33.05 percent.

"We have a completely opposite philosophical basis for how we approach taxes," said Polak. "I believe that sheltering second-homeowners from taxes at the expense of primary homeowners and businesses in the area is not good tax policy. [Advocates of Newry's withdrawal] don't agree."

Polak said members of the Newry Withdrawal Committee had not yet answered the question of how withdrawal would benefit all the students of SAD 44.

"I've asked this question a number of times, and it hasn't been answered yet," he said. "I'll put it out again: How is Newry's withdrawal going to improve education, not only for Newry students, but how is it going to improve education for the rest of the students?"

Andover

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SAD 44 at this point." She said the committee is working with Andover's start-up administrator, Jack Turcotte, who advised the town during the withdrawal process.

As a member of SAD 44, Andover paid about \$518,000 total last year (including extra costs to keep the Andover Elementary School open) to the school district.

The new school committee, established in November, currently has three members (Lee, Linda Sharkey and Tim Akers). Lee's one-year term is up, and she is running again. Two more members will be added by election on March 24 to bring the total membership to five. Also running for seats are Albert (Pete) Coolidge and Linda Presby, according to Selectman Keith Farrington.

In other municipal elections, Selectman Judy Tabb is up for re-election for a three-year term. She is being challenged by Lucien (Leo) Camire, Jane Rich and Diana (Dinah) Cutting.

Running for the road commissioner position for a three-year term, to replace the retiring Marshall Meisner, are Mark Farrington, David Dolloff and Darryl Wells.

Running unopposed for three-year terms are Fire Chief Rob Dixon and Town Clerk/Tax Collector Melinda Averill.

The polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m. on the 24th.

Also at Saturday's Town Meeting, residents will decide whether to discontinue health insurance for regular, part-time employees who work between 20 and 35 hours a week, according to Farrington. The warrant article was prompted by a citizen petition.

Another, competing article provides for current employees in that classification to be grandfathered.

A third article would continue life insurance and an income protection plan for all full time and regular part time and salaried employees. Farrington said the insurance are "very cheap" and would be a good deal.

Other personnel-related articles would give employees a 3 percent raise.

Also on the warrant is an article to raise \$60,000 in taxation and take \$43,000 from

the Designated Revaluation Account to do a townwide revaluation, which selectmen have argued for unsuccessfully for years. If it fails, a following article asks if townspeople wish to raise another \$10,000 to go into the account for a future revaluation.

Another article asks for a recommended \$20,000 for the Designated Road Improvements Account, for an anticipated rebuild of the Farmers Hill Road.

Other recommended amounts for large accounts include \$31,780 for the operation of the Fire Department (down from last year's \$32,010); \$48,000 for the Transfer Station (same as last year); and \$31,389 for the Town Office General Municipal Operations Accounts (up from last year's \$77,395).

For Highway Operations, recommendations from the selectmen and Budget Committee are \$6,800 for the Town Garage, \$30,000

for summer roads, \$10,000 for Highway Equipment repairs and maintenance, and \$92,000 for winter roads (the selectmen recommend \$100,000 on the latter).

Residents will also be asked to raise \$4,500 to continue improvements to the gazebo on the Town Common. Farrington said the railings and floor are old and need work.

Also requested is \$15,000 to reimburse Steve Swasey, Inc., for expenses related to the replacement of the Crockett Bridge. He did not ask for reimbursement - the article was initiated by the selectmen and road commissioner, according to the warrant.

To reduce taxes, the panels recommend that any surplus money over \$140,000 be applied. The surplus account currently stands at \$199,699, Farrington said.

The meeting on the 21st starts at 9 a.m. at the Town Hall.

Newry

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SAD 44 Withdrawal Committee to negotiate.

He said Stockford told the Newry panel, in Morton's words, "You have to weigh the lesser of the three conflicts."

At that point Hanscom nominated Wight and Largess seconded it.

"I certainly think Gary is capable of separating it," said Largess. "In a small community there's going to be people who are blended all the time."

He added, "Do I think Bonnie and I can keep that separate? Certainly." But, he said, he also does not need to take on another commitment.

Said Wight, "I was willing to do in before [last fall] and I'm willing to do it again."

Hanscom and Largess then voted for him, while he ab-

stained.

Morton said said he would share all his information with Wight.

Largess then asked Morton if he could share anything that had come out of the meeting with the SAD 44 committee.

Morton said the SAD 44 counterproposal, "would actually cost the town a lot more money," and is designed to prevent Newry from withdrawing. "They will do anything they can to stop it," he said. "The big problem is, are we going to find middle ground? And if we don't find the middle, if the other side refuses to compromise, then what?"

But he said the Newry committee will look again at its original proposal when it

meets again March 16 in order to come up with a counterproposal.

"BRIDGE THAT GAP" Morton went on to address perceptions about Largess and Sunday River Resort leading up to last week's selectman's seat vote, and he made a suggestion.

He noted the large turnout for the vote, which tallied 92 votes for Largess and 79 for him, and said it would be good to keep the involvement in civic affairs going.

He said Newry might consider developing a town newsletter, to help "bridge that gap. I've heard that Bear River people are anti-Sunday River. That's the furthest thing from the truth. I think you sum up the sentiment in a few words. It would

be 'separation of church and state.'"

Addressing Largess, he said, "There needs to be a healthy, clear divide between your relationship with the mountain and your duties as selectman."

Largess is the vice president of food and beverage at the resort.

"Anything I can do to dispel the myth that Bear River people are anti-Sunday River, I'll be glad to do so," said Morton.

Largess did not comment, and the board was noncommittal on the idea of a newsletter. Morton suggested some retirees in town might

be interested in being involved.

In other business the board indicated they would appoint Morton to the Planning Board, which will lose three experienced members at the end of this month. Pat Roma, David Walker and Susan Herlihy will go off the board.

Morton is a past chairman of the board. Committee appointments take place in early April.

Selectmen also discussed the possibility of establishing a "Roads Committee" to get public input and priorities on future roads projects.

The selectmen will meet next March 31 at 5 p.m.

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Briefly

Bethel nomination papers available

BETHEL-Nomination papers for selectman, school directors and assessor will be available beginning March 16. Coming up for a vote June 9 are the seats of Selectman Peter Southam, SAD 44 Directors Tim Carter and Frank DeDuca, and Assessor Bob Everett, all for three-year terms. Anyone taking out nomination papers must return them to the Town Office by April 27 at 5 p.m.

Public meeting on LePage budget

BETHEL-A meeting to gather public input on Gov. Paul LePage's proposed state budget will take place at the Bethel Town Office March 18 at 5:30 p.m. It will be hosted by state Sen. John Patrick (D-Rumford).

Hearing on Route 2 bridge project

BETHEL-A formal public meeting to discuss the future rehabilitation of the Androscoggin River Bridge in Bethel will take place Tuesday, April 7, at 6 p.m. at the Bethel Town Office. Representatives of the Maine Department of Transportation will be present to listen to concerns, receive comments, and answer questions from anyone with an interest in the project. The department is particularly interested in learning local views relative to project consistency with local comprehensive plans, discovering local resources, and identifying local concerns and issues. Inquiries regarding the project may be directed to Joel Kittredge, Project Manager, MDOT Bridge Program, 16 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0016. Telephone: (207) 624-3550. Email: joel.kittredge@maine.gov.

Woodstock declines MDOT garage purchase

WOODSTOCK-The Woodstock Board of Selectmen voted last week not to purchase the old state highway garage on Route 232. Town Manager Vern Maxfield said Lorrinda Connelly and Norm Haggan with the Maine Department of Transportation offered the 40- by 80-foot building to the town for \$125,000, with several payment options to choose from. The building hasn't been used since the state built a building in Dixfield 10 years ago. "The selectmen talked about it on Tuesday, and decided that they didn't want to pursue the building," Maxfield said. "If they had pursued the building, we were looking at putting the Highway Department in it. Instead, the selectmen were talking about possibly spending some money to fix up the town garage that we already have." Maxfield said he received estimates for reusing the town garage's overhead doors, and for installing a concrete pad and overhead doors for the town pole shed. "Our pole shed has never been enclosed, and we've had at least one robbery recently where parts were stolen," Maxfield said. "When the board decided not to go with the MDOT building, they decided to tackle these issues instead." Maxfield estimated it would cost around \$17,500 to complete all three projects. "We're going to put it on the town meeting warrant and see what people think," Maxfield said. - M. Daigle, Sun Media Wire

Greenwood sex offender sentenced

PARIS-A convicted sex offender from Greenwood was sentenced to six years in prison Tuesday after pleading guilty to sexually assaulting a minor. Alden Ralph Mason Jr., 42, pleaded guilty in Oxford County Superior Court to a single count of unlawful sexual contact. In exchange for the plea, three counts of gross sexual assault were dropped. He is free on \$5,000 secured bail until July, when he will begin serving his sentence. An Oxford County grand jury indicted him in December 2012 on charges of engaging in a sex act with a child younger than 12 years old in Greenwood on three occasions between late October and December 2012. He pleaded not guilty in March 2014. According to the Maine Sex Offender Registry, Mason was convicted in Cumberland County Superior Court in Portland of gross sexual assault of a child younger than 14 in 1997. He was sentenced to seven years in prison with all but two years suspended. - C. Crosby, Sun Media Wire

West Paris elects new selectman

WEST PARIS-Residents approved a \$1.1 million budget and chose a new selectman at Saturday's Town Meeting. West Paris residents approved a \$1.1 million budget nearly identical to last year's at town meeting Saturday morning. The budget sees current programming fully funded and a \$6,000 reduction, mostly in General Assistance. Residents unanimously chose Peter Collette, 52, a heating systems technician, to his first three-year term as selectman. Collette replaces Wade Rainey, who has served the town for 24 years. The town presented Rainey with a commemorative plaque for the occasion. Rainey, in a short speech, thanked fellow town officials for making the job easy. Moderator Vern Maxfield said Rainey's knowledge of municipal government was thorough. "Having people like this makes our lives better," Maxfield said. "We'll make sure to get your phone number," he joked. Included in the budget is \$282,835 for town administration, \$335,000 for the Highway Department, \$88,000 for the Fire Department, \$85,000 for the transfer station and \$30,000 for the library. The Fire Department budget increased by \$3,700, the transfer station's decreased by roughly \$6,300 and the other departments remained the same. Only one of the 38 articles — funding for ambulance services — had votes against it. Two of the estimated 50 residents opposed it. For the majority of articles there was no debate, though several residents asked for clarification on how some of the funding is spent, such as \$3,000 for maintenance of cemeteries. Residents approved \$3,000 for the after-school West Paris Explorers. Selectmen and the Budget Committee had recommended \$2,500. The extra funding is intended to meet demand for the program. Natalie Andrews was elected to the board of directors for SAD 17, and Philip Edmunds was elected to another term as a trustee of the Water District. Both votes were unanimous. - C. Crosby, Sun Media Wire

Eat at Applebee's tonight, aid Project Graduation

Applebee's Restaurant in Oxford will donate 15 percent of patrons' bills (excluding taxes and tips) tonight, March 12, to help fund Telstar High School's Project

Graduation activities.

Those interested may pick up an invitation flyer from a THS senior class member or a project committee member, and bring it on the

12th from 4 to 9 p.m. All money raised will go towards sending the Class of 2015 to a full night of chemical free activities after Commencement.

Ski Museum developing in-school education program with CPS

The Ski Museum of Maine is developing the prototype of an in-school education program in collaboration with teachers at the Crescent Park School and SAD 44, according to Wendie Gray, president of the museum's board of directors.

The pilot program will begin next week at the Crescent Park School in Bethel.

Skiing has been part of the Maine lifestyle and a major cog in the state's economy for 145 years, said Scott Andrews, the museum's curator and professional historian. Andrews will lead the Ski Museum's portion of the project.

Andrews notes that the story of skiing in Maine began in the late 1800s, when immigrants from several Scandinavian countries settled in this state. Skiing was strictly utilitarian transportation until the early 20th century, when it evolved into a sport in places like Auburn, Bethel, Poland Spring and Rumford.

Winter carnivals were common in dozens of Maine towns in the 1920s and 1930s, helping to popularize skiing. The state's first ski lift, a short rope tow, was built in Fryeburg in 1936. Within a few years about a dozen rope tows proliferated around the state.

Several Oxford County companies were significant

manufacturers of skis in the 20th century, including firms in Norway, Paris, Auburn, Minot and West Paris.

Skiing's biggest growth period followed World War II, with approximately 60 ski areas operating by the early 1970s. Most of these were local rope tow hills that have gone out of business. Others, such as Mt. Abram and Sunday River, remain flourishing enterprises.

Snowboarding was born in the 1980s and today represents a significant aspect of the snowsports.

The collaborative education program targets fourth-graders, because that is the year that Maine history is introduced to schoolchildren, said Crescent Park teacher Kasey Jerome.

Teachers Lisa Haines and Renee Charette are also participating in the project, which will begin with a two-hour session for Crescent Park fourth-grade students next week. The session will cover Maine skiing and snowboarding history and will stress the importance of the sport to the state's economy.

Based on the results of that session, Andrews and the teachers will develop an expanded program for the 2015-2016 school year. Following that, the Museum is exploring ways to expand it statewide.

"Skiing has been part of

the Maine way of life since the late 1800s, offering recreation and competition to both residents and visitors," said Andrews. "One major objective of this collaborative education program is to show the significance of skiing and snowboarding to Maine's lifestyle and economy."

Andrews is the Ski Museum's professional historian and edits its quarterly journal. A snowsports journalist since 1987, Andrews has written articles for "Skiing History" and numerous other publications. He created the Ski Museum's Fireside Chats program, an educational outreach program that has traveled to all corners of Maine.

Gray has a long history of personal involvement with skiing in Maine, including a stint as marketing director at Sunday River and as executive director of the Maine Nordic Ski Council.

"I'd like to thank Superintendent Dave Murphy and the fourth grade teachers at Crescent Park School, for incorporating the history of Maine skiing into the class curriculum," said Gray. "The SAD 44 community is rich with the history and heritage of alpine and nordic skiing. The Ski Museum's presentation will connect the students' own winter ski experiences with the area's ski legacy."

Cinema

Continued from page 1

grant funding. She also plans to talk to the local SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) chapter and possibly Community Concepts in South Paris.

She said movie theaters are a cheap source of family entertainment. She knows - she and husband, Mike and their children have done "movie nights" together, traveling more recently to Windham. But that's a long haul.

"For a family to be able to spend time out together, even if it's just once a month to see a movie together that will not break the family bank account, is what we want to see," she said. "We

want to offer a family package of tickets, concessions, etc. for a low cost."

Bennett also thinks it might be good to offer some free showings of old movies, or perhaps sporting events.

"Our intentions on reopening Casablanca Cinema is to not make millions or even thousands. Our goal is to simply have it hold its own weight financially," she said.

She would also like to be able to offer another opportunity for employment for local teenagers.

Bennett would like to hear from people who would like to see the movie theater return, so she can demonstrate

support as she looks for funding. The effort has a Facebook page, 'Bring Back Casablanca Cinema Bethel,' or she can be contacted at c-richards74@yahoo.com.

Bennett said she recently was contacted by Telstar student John Walker, who offered to help with the Facebook page. He's been very involved since, she said. "His enthusiasm and assistance in the social media piece of 'Bring Back Casablanca Cinema Bethel' is making the hopes of this project more attainable. I want to bring back something that should be part of the community."

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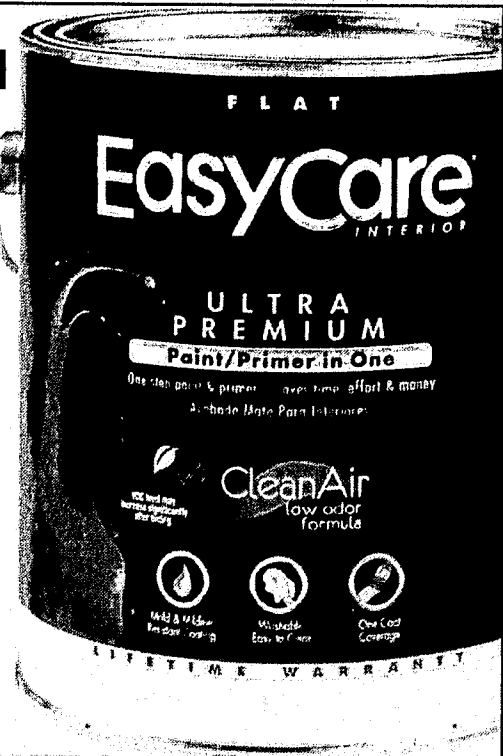
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The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD

Another birthday showed up on the calendar. Other than to mark the passage of time I don't really pay much attention anymore.

My family always acknowledges the day with cards, presents, hugs and best wishes and occasionally a cake. That's all wonderful, but it's really just another day to me.

When you get older birthdays never induce that special feeling that they did when you were a kid. Those were exciting times that every child looks so forward to.

I couldn't wait for my birthday to arrive. It was two months after Christmas and in January I would start pestering my mother about having a birthday party and how many kids I could invite. Then I would pester the poor woman about what I wanted for a cake. I really, really wanted a birthday cake from a bakery with lots and lots of frosting roses, but such a thing was not in the family budget.

Boy, back then my birthday was exciting; the parties, the games like Pin the Tail on the Donkey and especially the presents. Seems like I always got at least one Paint by Number set. Now I just hope I'll keep having birthdays for a while yet to come.

Now I think of my birthday as a "no bra" day; that's because that's my special gift to myself. Once upon a time I would have thought a new dress or having my hair done as a great gift to myself, but now I find a baggy sweat suit and "no bra" to be about as good as it can get.

I was never what would now be called a fashionista, but I dressed pretty decently and took some pride in how I looked.

My younger self would be absolutely appalled at my older self.

Even if some clothes were a bit binding and shoes a bit tight I was okay with that as long as I look good.

Sometime after many birthdays had come and gone I turned into my mother. I can't believe I just said that, but I started favoring polyester slacks with elastic waistband and flat shoes with extra width. My younger self would be absolutely appalled at my older self.

I spent a good portion

of my adult life wearing pantyhose and heels. I took the time to style my hair and put on a little makeup. Now I own no pantyhose or heels, I keep my hair short and my makeup has all dried up.

I can't tell you exactly when I chose comfort over fashion, looking okay rather than looking good, but I think it was probably on one of the birthdays that I didn't want to acknowledge.

I can still dress up and look pretty presentable if I have to. I can even buy some pantyhose if I have to, but being older and semi-retired means that I really don't have to.

Aging may come with a lot of aches and pains and wrinkles, but it also comes with a few advantages. No one expects you to look like a million bucks. No one expects you to be dressed in the latest fashion and no one cares of your bosom is standing pert and pretty.

Birthdays come around once each year and as long as they keep coming I'll be content with that. And the way I see it on my next birthday it will once again be a "no bra" day and if someone gets me a bakery cake with a lot of frosting roses it will be as special as a party and Pin the Tail on the Donkey.

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Bethel

By Nancy Brown



Last week in "Our Back Pages," Dana Brown Nickerson reminded us that it was 30 years ago (March 7, 1985) that the last hot-metal type edition of the Citizen was printed on the plant's sheet-fed press. I spent many Thursday afternoons (newspaper day) at the Citizen office, which was then owned by the Brown family. Not only was the noise of the old press deafening, but the whole office rattled and shook from the paper printing process. Once the pages were printed, they were carried to the folder to be collated and folded. A few weeks before the last edition of the paper was printed on the sheet-fed press, my mother made a tape recording of the shop on a Thursday afternoon. The overwhelming sounds are the thrum of the large press and the ca-clack, ca-clack, ca-clack of the folder. Occasionally a voice is heard, either the women wrapping the papers that were to be mailed to subscribers or the kids who had newspaper delivery routes. They arrived af-

ter school, gathered in the front office, and waited for the first papers off the press for home delivery. Sometime in 1961 or '62 I got a newspaper route also. Since the routes in town were taken, I had a section of Route 26. Although the in-town kids rode their bicycles, I was not allowed to ride my bike on Route 26 at dusk, so my father drove me on my paper route, usually well after dark when the newspaper production process was complete. In those days, the Citizen cost 7 cents. I don't remember what portion we kept, but I do remember that Blackie Cummings always gave me 10 cents. He was my best customer. By the time the last sheet-fed press edition came out, the price of the Citizen was 20 cents. Over the years there were other price hikes. But I was still surprised last Thursday when I bought my paper at Walgreens and the cashier said 95 cents. I grabbed the paper from the obviously startled woman to double check the price. There it was: 90 cents a copy, plus the 5 cents that the state takes. Times change; prices rise. It's still, though, the only complete local news that we get. Well worth the cost.



HONORS AT T.H.S. Telstar High School recently held a celebration for students who made the High Honors and Honors rolls. Pictured are, front: Kristi Hanscom, James Newkirk, Elijah Laird, Kellen True, Josh Eliot, Meg Glover, Sierra Ryerson. Back: India Orino, Sioux Ann Tuttle, Cassidy Smith, Savannah Vermette, Liam Gallagher, Zac Wheeler, Chris Chappie, Avry Griffin, Luke Angevine, Savanna Pelletier, Noah Rose, Austin Bear, Kaitlyn Brown, Tyra Howes and Rebecca Howard.

I will miss Betsey Foster's Greenwood column. I read her column every week and always knew what was happening in town, who the new business owners were and what was special at the Local Hub. More importantly (for me, anyway), I

knew when the geese had returned after an icy winter, when they had their young, and when the wildflowers were in bloom. Thanks for the beautiful writing, Betsey.

The Bethel Library is currently displaying a modern version of a Civ-

il War Potholder Quilt by Cathy Newell. During the Civil War, community groups in many areas made quilts for wounded soldiers. The "potholder method" utilized scraps of cloth leftover from other projects. Women could make the squares at home

and they were assembled later. Cathy Newell's quilt was inspired by a program given by Pam Weeks at the Bethel Historical Society last year. Weeks is the co-author of Civil War Quilts. The quilt can be viewed in the front room of the Bethel Library at 5 Broad

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, March 3

At 8:47 a.m. Deputy Dave Hodgson investigated a harassment complaint in Bethel.

At 12:44 p.m. a Bethel business reported receiving harassing phone calls. Deputy Dave Hodgson was assigned.

At 2:27 p.m. a caller reported a tractor trailer with a yellow cab and white trailer driving recklessly and passing on a corner, forcing the complainant to the side of the road. The vehicle was not located.

Wednesday, March 4

At 3:07 p.m. Deputy Dave Hodgson responded to a two-vehicle accident, no injuries, on Vernon Street in Bethel.

At 11:45 a.m. Cpl. Chancey Libby received drug-related information on Walkers Mills Road in Bethel. The information was turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division.

Thursday, March 5

At 6:18 p.m. Sgt. Tim Ontengco responded to a Bethel address to investigate a burglary and theft. The suspect was identified and charges were pending.

At 10:29 p.m. Deputy Dave Hodgson responded to the West Bethel Road in Bethel for a welfare check/verbal domestic incident.

Friday, March 6

Sgt. Tim Ontengco arrested Jessica L. Grover, 35, of Bethel, for burglary.

At 11:05 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney met with school officials to discuss a possible drug offense at Telstar High School. The school was handling any potential disciplinary actions.

At 8:13 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to the Songo Pond Road in Bethel for a vehicle towing a trailer and snowmobiles that had lost an axle on the trailer.

Saturday, March 7

At 8:47 a.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to a burglary at a residence on McCrillis Brook Road in Bethel. The investigation was ongoing.

(Ed. Note: The Citizen plans to publish excerpts from the minutes of the regular meetings of the Andover Board of Selectmen. They will be published after the board has voted to approve them at a subsequent meeting. Following are excerpts from February minutes. For complete copies, contact the Andover Town Office.)

Feb. 3

Planning Board - Timber Harvest - Mark Thurston from the Planning Board attended meeting to discuss with the Selectmen the 3 options that are available regarding letter from the Dept of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. According to state records Andover has not yet chosen a statewide standard to update its Shoreland Zoning ordinance with regards to Timber Harvesting. Planning Board members recommend keeping local control as stated by Mark Thurston. Mark suggested to the board that they keep things as they are currently and he would look into the matter further. Further discussion tabled. Selectmen discussed the town's Comprehensive Plan and how it was currently on hold as some of the Committee Members felt it was best to wait until the town had voted on what was going to happen with the school. Mark stated that he would like the Planning Board to start discussion the Comprehensive Plan and "get the ball rolling." Selectmen and Mark felt that the Comprehensive Plan Committee would need

to get together with the Planning Board and start the whole process, maybe contacting AVCOG again to get their assistance.

Feb. 10

Treasurer: Barbara received information from Bangor Savings on an "Insured Cash Sweep" account. It was suggested by the auditor's that the town change from a money market account to an ICS account. Barbara explained that between the checking account and the money market account, the amount combined exceeded the 250K amount the bank will insure. Barbara is reviewing the paperwork.

Barbara requested that the selectmen sign the audit as it needs to be returned by next Tuesday. Judy did have some questions regarding the audit and Barbara will forward her questions to Lori Ann at Smith and Associates. A MOTION was made (Judy Tabb) to sign the audit, pending receiving satisfactory answers from the auditor on the questions she has asked, (Keith Farrington) seconded, MOTION carries. Questions for the auditor are: deferred taxes, why is the Surplus so low, Highway overdraft, is the excise included in the surplus total.

School Loan/Bond: Selectmen and Treasurer are in the process of looking at a potential 3 year or 5 year tax free loan/bond for the new Andover School. Selectmen will need to discuss how this will be presented to the

tax payers at Town Meeting. Selectmen would also like to see the payment schedule. Selectmen are in favor of the 5 year plan. A MOTION was made (JT) to have the bank prepare an amortization schedule for a 5 year bond for 200K, seconded (KF), all in favor, MOTION carries.

Feb. 24

Treasurer: Barbara reported that she has completed the ICS paperwork and the money has been transferred into this new account (See 2/10 minutes). She has also completed the State Audit and has sent it out. Barbara asked if the selectman if they had heard from any of our residents that owe back taxes and they reported that they had not.

Fire Chief: Rob reported that his department has been very busy responding to calls, 21 so far this year. Recently at a call to So. Arm Rd, truck 41 got stuck in the snow, the Road Commissioner was contacted to see if he could help drag the truck out but unfortunately was unable. Eric Swasey was then contacted to help and he was able to get the truck out, however the truck did sustain some damage. The next day the FD spent the day trying to fix/repair the truck. Rob reported that the truck is scheduled to go to Massachusetts for regular maintenance. Rob also told the board that he felt that

Swasey's should be paid for their services. He will contact Swasey's office and ask that they submit a bill.

Petition: Discuss regarding the petition that was received. After reviewing the petition, Keith felt that the town should be adding health insurance to employees that currently are not receiving any, like the Treasurer, who doesn't work the required 20 hours to get the benefit. "We should be adding not deleting coverage for Town employees." Keith suggested that the board add a competing article with different options. Judy suggested that the entire ordinance be looked at so that it could be updated. Selectmen discussed the need to hold a public hearing before Town Meeting. A MOTION was made (JA) and seconded (JT) to add the petition onto the Town Meeting Warrant, all in favor, MOTION carries.

Insurance: Information received from VFIS regarding auto insurance coverage for volunteers, employees and elected or appointed officials' operating personally owned and hired vehicles on the town's behalf. It stated in the letter that a small additional premium would be added automatically unless the town decided to opt-out. The Secretary was asked to contact the town insurance agent to find out what the additional premium would be.

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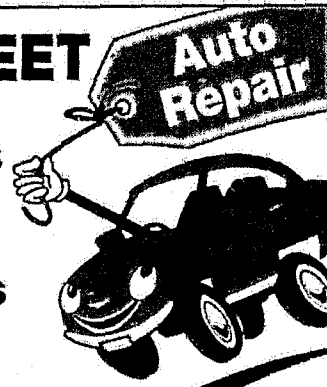
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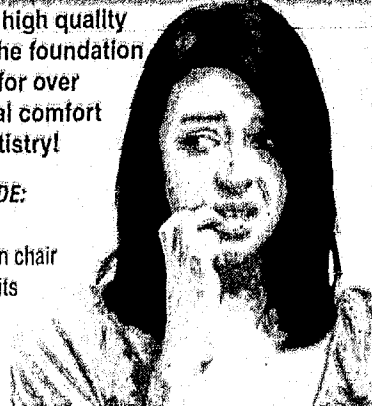
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I was saddened to hear of the death of Cindy Chapin Krauss last week. Cindy attended Crescent Park School and graduated from Gould Academy in the class of 1968. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By Wally Ritz



So, how does everyone like the first taste of "normal" temperatures? Hopefully it is a sign that spring is on its way.

Recently, when talking about robins, a friend said, that they don't migrate south in the winter. I posed the question to another friend and also did some reading up. Apparently, both answers are right. Some do migrate and some remain, going deeper into the woods and forming flocks. Indeed, one can learn something new all the time.

Charlie and Mary Lee Haines celebrated their 50th anniversary Friday, Feb. 27. Happy Belated Anniversary from the neighborhood.

This week it is time for the new Trivia question: When did the town's people vote to close the upper grades of the schools in East and West Bethel?

Call me anytime at 507-1008 or e-mail me at heinrichcracker@gmail.com or come visit me at the InnSide Shop.

Think Spring.

Andover

By Jane C. Rich



As I am sitting here in the solarium at the Rumford Hospital, the sun is streaming in the windows and someone has told me it will be 40 this afternoon. Frost bite is not fun, folks, so when you hear those warnings about bundling up, do it. I will be here until the beginning of next week if everything goes well. The staff here has been wonderful to me and I wish to give them some recognition which probably doesn't happen very often. Special thanks to Doctors Serna and Roberts for their gentleness in taking care of my wounds.

Thanks to everyone for cards and visits and taking care of my house while I'm gone, especially to Jim Coolidge for picking out things I didn't get to before this accident. The only problem is that the house is almost finished and I can't even see it at this point.



THE GYM GIRLS-Dale Cheney of Bethel took this photo of Ginny Gable, Jan Stowell and Marilyn Sahlberg, who are morning regulars at Workout 24/7 in Bethel.

Needless to say my knowledge of Andover events is very limited. I just want to remind everyone of the importance of Town Meeting which will take place on March 21 beginning at 9 a.m. in the Town Hall. The Andover Service Circle will once again be providing a delicious lunch. Election for various town officers will be held on March 24. There are interesting contests for both Road Commissioner and Selectman so it is important that everyone vote so the real will of the people will be known.

Greetings to all.

Bryant Pond

By Alice Hoyt



The March program at Whitman Memorial Library is Thursday, March 19 at 2 p.m. In keeping with the 200th Anniversary Celebration of the Town of Woodstock, speaker Barry Allen, Norway local surveyor, using an old map and pictures will give a brief history of early New England and Maine surveying, with special emphasis on surveying and lotting of the eastern half of the Town of Woodstock, known as Gorham Academy Grant, based upon the original sealed note of surveyor James Irish, Jr. Light refreshments will be served. The public is welcome to attend at no charge.

The Woodstock Historical Society will meet on Saturday, March 14 at the Town Conference Room at 6 p.m.

Larry Billings says he has posters from several art museums in the USA at his Bethel House apartment.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service, Bloom for girls 13 to 18 and Foundations for guys 15 and up. The teens thank everyone for the items donated and things sold at their sale. They did very well again. They are earning money to buy their plane tickets to teen camp in Florida in June.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at Ledgeview Living Center on Thursday, March 5, for their meeting. A delicious dinner was served by Ledgeview and two members of the Woodstock Fire Department spoke for the program. Next meeting in April, the dinner will be put on by the Daughters of Union Veterans.

Gilead

By Lin Chapman



Supposedly, spring is 12 days from now (Sunday). That is what people keep telling me. There has been quite a bit of melting and shrinking of snowbanks in Gilead lately.

My brother, Steve McLain, was at our house last Saturday. He picked up the genealogy notebook on the McLain family that Mary Tyler has been working on for him.

Mary is the Ancestry Genealogist for the Gilead Historical Society. When

the GHS needs to find something about someone from Gilead's past, Mary can do the research. She is also working on some family trees for a few other people.

Lise McLain went to the senior citizens lunch at Gould Academy last week. This is part of the Four Point Program that Gould does. The students serve the senior citizens lunch. Everyone had a great meal and wonderful time.

Bob and Judy Bishop called us to check in before they headed to Rockport on vacation. There is plenty of snow in that area, so they planned on taking their snowshoes with them!

Happy Birthday wishes to Lise McLain on March 20. This is also the first day of Spring!

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The Gilead School Board met with SAD 44 Superintendent David Murphy. Dr. Murphy serves as superintendent for the Town of Gilead, also. Those present at the meeting besides Dr. Murphy were Gilead School Board members Lise McLain, Ann Choquette and Warren Thurston.

The selectmen's meeting for March was March 11. The Board of Selectmen requested that the Town Report be ready for review at this meeting. At that time, they planned on making any final changes to the Warrant and the Annual Town Report. Then it will go to the printer. Maine law states that the report must be available three days in advance to town meeting. The law also states that the warrant for town meeting

Tuba concert at West Paris Library

On Sunday, March 29, 2015 at 2 p.m. at the West Paris Library, the tuba ensemble, Low Commotion, will present a concert which is free and open to everyone. Low Commotion, which was formed in 2013, is an ensemble of euphoniums (tenor tubas) and full sized tubas. The ensemble has performed many concerts in the Portland area. The concert will feature music from jazz and rock to the classical. Soloist for the concert is James Bennett, a West Paris resident, performing Gardell Simon's classic cornet solo, "Atlantic Zephyrs" on the euphonium. Sponsored by the Friends of the West Paris Library, refreshments will be served following the concert. For a concert of fun and entertaining music performed by a very unique ensemble, make sure you don't miss Low Commotion on Sunday, March 29.

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must be posted seven days in advance to town meeting. Both of these tasks will be completed on time.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Hanover

By Maria Holloway



Condolences go out to two families in Hanover this month.

Clem Worcester, lifelong resident and former Hanover Town Clerk, passed away on Friday, March 6, 2015 after a long illness. Clem died peacefully at home with his loving family by his side.

Clement Worcester leaves his wife Donna and two children Brian and Jenny, brothers David and William, and several grandchildren, all of whom he loved and admired dearly. Clem retired from the Town of Hanover in May of 2014. A dedicated employee, he served for many years in various capacities including Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Constable for Posting Warrants, Registrar of Voters, Sexton, Cemetery Committee Chair, Civil Emergency Preparedness Officer and Elections Warden. He was former Hanover Columnist for the Bethel Citizen, he held the position of Grand Secretary of the Knights of Pythias for the State of Maine, and served as a board member of Vocational Region 9 School of Technology in Mexico.

Clem was the first person I met as a newcomer to Hanover nearly five years ago. During one of our first visits to the Town Office, Clem asked my husband Peter and I if we knew of Hanover's "hidden gem." Not having any idea what he was referring to, Clem proceeded to tell us how to get there. Having had no knowledge of this "gem," we followed Clem's directions, and as we drove up the long, steep hill we suspected that perhaps the Town Clerk was joshing two newbies from away and we both thought, "How could this hidden gem be atop a mini-mountain?" Sure enough, as we crested the hill, we saw the magnificent Howard Pond! We were surprised and overjoyed to learn that such a treasure existed in our new little town and we cherish it to this day. We will always remember our first intro-

duction to Hanover, and its friendly Town Clerk who always possessed a dry wit and kind demeanor. We, like many others who knew Clem Worcester, will remember and miss him dearly. Services and burial are planned for the spring.

Another Hanover resident, Wilma Jean Rector, passed away on March 1, 2015, after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Wilma is survived by her husband Jim Rector, her daughter Leora, and mother, two brothers and a sister. Wilma was born in New Hampshire and lived in Colorado during her high school years. She studied nursing at the Walter Reed Army Nursing program and in 1977, left the military to return to Colorado. She later moved to Brunswick, and in 1990 married Jim Rector. Wilma was an active member of the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library and participated in projects with the Library Busy Bees. Donations may be made in Wilma's memory to the International Myeloma Foundation, the Patrick Dempsey Center or Androscoggin Home Health Care and Hospice House. Services were held on March 8 in Woodstock; interment will be determined in the spring.

Have questions, comments, news? Please email HanoverMENews@gmail.com.

Newry

By Doug Webster



Congratulations to all of the Newry citizens and others who attended the annual town meeting and election of town officials. I believe it was a town record turnout for a municipal election. It's great to see 171 voters show up and be involved. Jim Largess replaced Brooks Morton for the one Selectman spot. Whitney Gray and Bonnie Largess ran unopposed for their seats on the School board and won heartily. Having municipal elections at the polls seems to be getting more people out. Good Luck to Jim Largess as Selectman, and a big thanks to Brooksie for his three years of service on the board. State law mandates that a selectman will serve on any school withdrawal committee. As a result, at the new board's first meeting on March 4, it was de-

Woodstock Residents

The Annual Woodstock Town Meeting will be held on Monday March 23, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Woodstock Elementary School.

Just a reminder that Dog Licenses are now overdue. There will be an additional fee for dogs still not registered on or before February 1, 2015. It will be \$25.00.

Notice to Veterans

Veterans or Widows of Veterans age 62 or older, who may be eligible for property tax exemption under our Maine Laws, should be familiar with the requirement; where by, application for tax exemption must be made to the Assessors before April 1st of the year in which exemption is expected to begin.

Blind Exemption

Exemptions are available to persons determined to be blind within the definition provided by title 22, Chapter 959, who are receiving aid under that Chapter. Exemption must be filed with Assessors before April 1st of the year in which the exemption is expected to begin

Assessor's Notice

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 91-A, Section 34 R.S. 1954 Amend, all resident and non-resident property owners are hereby notified to bring into the Assessors, on or before April 1st, 2015, a true copy and perfect list of their estates, real or personal, of which they are possessed on the April 1st 2015, and be prepared to take oath on same. Any person who neglects to comply with this notice is barred his rights to make application to the assessors or the Assessment Board of Review for any abatement of his tax unless he satisfies the Assessors that he/she was unable to offer it at the appointed time.

Maine Homestead Exemption

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STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING-In Telstar teacher Tim O'Connor's Engineering Technology class, student Avry Griffin stacked bricks on a bridge he constructed. The bridge held 35 pounds. Submitted photo

cided that current Selectman Gary Wight will replace Brooks Morton on the withdrawal committee.

At the town meeting, there was much discussion about the Mountain Explorer. After some healthy debate, the citizens voted to give \$7,500 to the Mountain Explorer. The Mountain Explorer Committee had asked the town for \$10,000, up \$5,000 from the previous years. The Newry voters decided to meet them half way. With all this talk about regional cooperation within the district, I am sure that Bethel, Woodstock and Greenwood will make up the remaining portion of the Mountain Explorer budget.

At the Selectboard meeting, the board had some discussion about where they stand on road repairs, still grappling with what course of action to take on the Sunday River Road repairs and paving. Gary Wight said if we are going to do the job, we should do it right. I agree with Gary. At the request of the board as road commissioners, Newry's CEO, Dave Bonney, got an estimate for paving with some moderate base work, shimming and fixing some of the bad spots. At the town meeting, the citizens voted to look into the possibility of getting a bond to do the project. That being said, Mr. Bonney suggested putting together a citizen's committee to study the project. Now the citizens who live up in the Sunday River valley can have some input on the quality and extent of the road work they would like to see.

The town got their yearly bill from Oxford County. It was up this year for a total of \$360,600.

Town Administrator, Loretta Powers, said she has paid AYCOG its dues to-

wards a hazardous waste day. Citizens will have a chance to clean out their garages and basements of dangerous materials. Stay tuned for the details. She said it is usually in September.

Deputy Clerk Kelly Scott confirmed that the office has decided on a new bank for the majority of the town's business. Evidently taxpayers will have a few more options for how they can pay their taxes. She said there will be a couple of options that will enable people to pay online. Stay tuned for details.

Thank you to Sophia Bilinsky for her generous SkiESta scholarships. Last year they gave away \$5,000 in scholarship money. Priority goes to Newry kids and adults, with a specific scholarship available for students accepted to The Eddy School. Little known is that the scholarship can also be used for adult certification or re-training programs - they are not just for kids.

The Planning Board is still looking for a few members. Anyone interested please call the Town Office.

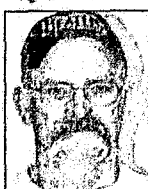
Now that the board has completed the budgeting season, I wonder if it would be helpful if the town opted to put together a citizen/office member Budget Committee - a group similar to the proposed Road Committee could spend more time focused on the town's strategies and finances. Then the Selectboard could take it from there. Maybe it doesn't fit into the format, but it might be worth a try.

My local robin is still hanging close to the feeder. By the looks of it, there are a few loners out there that didn't realize they were supposed to fly someplace warmer. I bet they're spending their

nights dreaming of a nice, fat worm!

Upton

By Joe Bernier



The Ladies Aid Association plans to serve Sunday breakfasts through Easter Sunday.

The Upton Historical Society will begin 2015 meetings in April. Typically, the first meeting of the year is election meeting and also sets the tone for the year's activities.

The Letter B Notch Riders will also have their first meeting of 2015 in April.

I believe that the outside temperature actually was above 32 degrees a few times during the last few days!

Wednesday of last week, I attended an informal workshop breakfast. The workshop was sponsored by the Bethel Chamber of Commerce. Its purpose was to discuss the future of snowmobile trails in particular and multiple use trails in general in the greater Bethel area. Representatives of various snowmobile clubs voiced their extreme concerns about lack of funds, lack of volunteers and landowners closing trails. People from other groups, including hikers and cross country skiers attended

SeniorsPlus seeking volunteers in Oxford County

SeniorsPlus is looking for volunteers in Oxford County to serve in their communities as a Medicare Counselor. If you like numbers, research, and want to make a difference in people's lives, this opportunity is for you. SeniorsPlus needs volunteers to meet with Medicare beneficiaries one-on-one to assist in Medicare enrollment, changing plans and understanding the basics of Medicare; as well as speaking to groups to help educate them about Medicare basics. Come join our Medicare team of volunteers and staff that make a real difference in the lives of our clients every day!

For more information or to sign up for our upcoming trainings in July, please contact Heather Chandel, Volunteer Services Coordinator by June 27 at 513-3710, or e-mail at hchandel@seniorsplus.org.

SeniorsPlus is a private non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation whose mission is to support independent living and healthy aging. It serves as the local Aging and Disability Resource Center for Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford Counties. SeniorsPlus provides a network of support, information, services and resources for older adults and adults with disabilities and their families. For more information, visit www.seniorsplus.org or call 207-795-4010 or 1-800-427-1241.



GOULD SOPHOMORES LEND A HELPING HAND AT BHS-Matt Chaisson, Richie Hoge, and Joonho Byun helped out with moving artifacts one day last week at the Bethel Historical Society. Also helping were Emmett Dorval Hall, John Mo and Schuyler Leff. The whole sophomore class spent the day in service to others. Submitted photo

Workshop on Pinterest

Community Concepts Finance Corporation is offering a workshop Pinterest's Potential and Power on Wednesday, April 8, 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Bethel Inn Resort, 21 Broad Street, Bethel.

Are you having a hard time driving traffic to your website? Does your brand need more visibility and exposure? Pinterest is emerging as a powerful tool for businesses and nonprofits to promote their products and services. It is the third biggest social network, and it has the highest revenue per click than any other social media site!

Whitney Moreau with Nancy Marshall Communications will walk you through the basics of Pinterest and teach you: How to create a profile and optimize it for traffic; Strategies for surpassing the competition in your industry; Successful content creation; Tips, tricks and best practices; How to increase your visibility; Simple strategies for growing followers; Secrets to tracking your traffic and results.

The cost to attend the workshop is \$25 for members of any of the chambers of commerce and business associations that serve Oxford County and \$30 for nonprofits, businesses and others that are not a chamber member. To register for the workshop go to www.wmedc.org and click on Events or contact Mia Purcell at Community Concepts Finance Corporation, 739-6543 or mpurcell@community-concepts.org.

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Sports



SKIERS QUALIFY-Telstar High School Cross-Country skiers Kellen True (right) has qualified for the U16 Nordic Championships, which will be held in Fort Kent March 13-15, and Carla Boyle-Wight qualified for the Eastern High School Nordic Championships, which will be held March 21-23 at Black Mountain in Rumford.



High School Nordic Skiing

On Saturday, March 7, three boys from the Telstar Nordic team traveled to Monmouth to partake in the Monmouth Academy Paintball Biathlon. Skiers race a lap and then try and shoot at 5 targets. If they miss a target, they ski a short penalty lap for each missed shot. Then they head out to ski the big lap again. The total length of the race course was 5km with two opportunities to shoot, once prone and once standing. Kellen True came in 2nd with a time of 20:19. Liam Gallagher came in 3rd with a time of 21:35 and Elijah Laird came in 12th with a time of 25:45. - Coach Southam

Mountain Valley Rec Basketball League

MVRBL Regular Season Ends -Sunday, March 8, the Mountain Valley Rec League wrapped up its regular season, as Laid Back Installers finished undefeated with a 12-0 record and were off for the week with a bye. In games played, Ranor Mechanical (10-2) finished in 2nd place as they held off a strong Archie's team, 81-70. Ranor got 25 points from Aaron St. Pierre, 18 from Craig Milledge, 12 from Scot New and 10 from Nate Carson. Archie's (6-6), who finished in 4th place, saw Cody St. Germain match St. Pierre's game high 25, Mike Holmquist added 15 points and Cliff Turner added 12.

Jay (4-8, 6th place), who has come on strong at the end of the season, played well and beat 3rd place The Matterhorn (6-6), 86-73. In what was a back and forth game for a while, Jay opened up in the latter stages of the second half with the strong play of Shawn Hill (44 points, 6 threes) and Dave St. Germain (20 points). Zeth Reilly chipped in 15 more. The Matterhorn held their own for a while but couldn't sustain the pace. Matt Newell had a nice game with 35 points and lots of rebounds. Kindle Bosnall was next with 12 points; Glen Dubois had 11 and Andrew Beckwith helped out with 10.

Finally, Bethel (4-8, 5th place) pounded Neptune (0-12, 7th place), 96-61. Bethel got lots of balanced scoring from Mike Del Duca with 20 points, Ryan Kimball 17, Terry Collins 16, Kevin Bean 15 and Ryan Savage and Ageless Jerome Holt with 10 points each. Neptune's Leaders were Gary Holman with 21 points, Jessie Cross 18, Nick Blodgett 12 and TJ Swan 10 points.

The playoffs start on Sunday, March 15, with a 6th/7th place play in game as Jay hosts Neptune at 10 a.m. At 11:30, 4th place Archie's plays 5th place Bethel. Then at 1 p.m., 3rd place Matterhorn hosts the winner of the 10 a.m. game. LBI and Ranor will await the winners the following Sunday. The Championship is now tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, March 24 at 6 p.m.

MVRBL Tournament - The 16th annual Mountain Valley Rec Men's Basketball Tournament will take place in Rumford and Mexico at MV High School, MV Middle School and The River Valley Rec Center on March 27, 28 and 29. There will be three men's divisions this year, A, B and Senior (over 40). The tournament expects 10 entries in A and B and at least six in Senior. A Women's division is also available if enough interest is shown. Cost is \$350 per team, \$375 after March 15. Teams will play three round robin games, one on Friday night and two on Saturday, followed by a Sunday tournament round for the top teams in each division. There will also be the traditional foul shooting competition, three point competition, dunking contest (if enough interest). Awards will be presented after each championship. All profits will benefit the MV Athletic Boosters, MVHS and MVMS Athletics, The Greater Rumford Community Center and The River Valley Rec Center. Please contact Eddie Paterson, MV Rec League Commissioner and Tournament Organizer, epaterson2@roadrunner.com or 207-364-9352. Information can also be found on the league web site www.mvrbl.webs.com.

Travis Brooks named golf pro at Inn

Allen Connors, managing partner of The Bethel Inn Resort, has announced the promotion of Travis Brooks to the position of Head Golf Professional at The Bethel Inn Resort. "Travis' appointment continues our proud tradition of promoting current employees to major supervisory positions at the resort. We are proud that all our key department heads have grown into their positions from within," according to Connors.

Travis is a graduate of Telstar with a degree in business management from St. Joseph's College in Standish. He is a member of the Brooks family, long-time owners of Brooks Bros. in Bethel. Married to the former Justine Carver, also of Bethel, he is the proud new father of a son, Chase.

His new responsibilities include supervising the golf pro shop personnel, organizing tournaments for country club members and special events including the New



Travis Brooks (left) and Allen Connors. Submitted photo

England Couples Championship and The Fall Festival Pro Am. He also will supervise the Guaranteed Performance School of Golf and all on-going teaching activities.

Travis has long been associated with the resort, playing golf with his father as a child, then working on golf

course maintenance, and later becoming an assistant in the golf shop. "I spent a lot of time learning golf and actually growing up at the resort and it is a very special place to me. To become head professional is really a dream come true," according to Brooks.

Prime Time Ski Club news

Several of our Prime Time Ski Club members have had ski accidents this season and while we usually can't prevent accidents, there are several ways that we can help ski patrol should we need their services. Even if you have a season pass, it's important that you carry identification with you when you ski, preferably with an emergency contact, any medical conditions you have, a list of medications and food or medication allergies, and health insurance and primary care physician contact information. The least expensive way to identify yourself is to carry a handmade card that lists the information mentioned above. If you carry a cell phone, it's also a good idea to list your emergency contact in your phone's contact list under "ICE" (In Case of Emergency), an acronym that most first responders are trained to look for.

There are also more sophisticated ways of identifying yourself in case of an accident. The identification (ID) service that most people are probably familiar with is MedicalAlert®. The company has a variety of bracelets, necklaces and a new rubber pull-on sports band that includes your name, brief listing of medical conditions, MedicalAlert toll-free number along with your unique ID number which is used to obtain an in depth medical profile through a live 24/7 service. Your health record allows you to store all of your emergency medical information in one place that is easily accessible to emergency providers and can be updated at any time. MedicalAlert requires an annual membership fee, around \$50, plus the cost of the ID device. The website is www.medicalert.org; the phone number is 800-432-5378.

A fairly newcomer to the emergency ID (EID) market is ECOS® Emergency IDs. The company currently offers three types of devices. There is a small laminated plastic tag that is designed to be attached to a clothing zipper (around \$9). There is also an aluminum tag that comes attached to an adjustable hook and loop wrist strap (around \$12). There is a vinyl tag with a self-adhesive backing that can be placed on a ski helmet or the back of

a cell phone (around \$8 for 3 stickers). Each EID is printed with a unique emergency ID QR (bar) code. When scanned by a smartphone or other scanning device, the QR code opens a webpage that shows your emergency ID profile which you provide when registering for the service. If an emergency responder is unable to scan the QR code, access to your profile is available by entering your seven-digit EID number on the website. There is no subscription cost. The website is www.ecosid.com; no phone number is listed.

There are also Road ID® bracelets, first developed for runners and bikers, but they can also be worn for other activities such as skiing. The company offers an entire line of identification gear, such as shoe pouches as well as stretchable wrist bands with an engraved stainless steel badge with as much in-

formation on it as you can fit. The bracelet costs about \$20 with engraving (discount coupons often available online) but no more medical information is available other than what is on the ID device. The webpage is www.roadid.com; the phone number is 800-345-6336.

It's also a good idea to always ski with someone for safety sake and to make skiing more enjoyable. That's where Prime Time Ski Club can help. Anyone looking for someone to ski with should meet at North Peak Lodge at 10 a.m. (upper level, right hand side past the bar.) After a brief time for announcements, members usually break into small groups of four to eight skiers, based mostly on skiing ability and speed and terrain preference. See you on the slopes and remember to carry emergency information with you at all times.

School Lunch Menu

SAD 44 School Lunch March 12-20

Elementary Schools

Thursday: Fish and cheese sandwich on a wholegrain roll or Sun Butter and Fluff on wholegrain bread with yogurt, sweet potato bites, 4-bean salad, chilled peaches.

Friday: Teacher's Workshop. No School.

Monday: Cheeseburger on a wholegrain bun or Quick Pick with bagel, egg and cheese stick, roasted potatoes, baked beans, applesauce.

Tuesday: Mac and cheese with ham and dinner roll or turkey and cheese sandwich, steamed carrots, fruit cocktail.

Wednesday: Super nachos and salsa or hot dog in a roll, corn, strawberries and bananas.

Thursday: Teriyaki dippers or Sun Butter and jelly on wholegrain bread with yogurt, rice pilaf, seasoned broccoli, juice choice, fresh pineapple.

Friday: Fish nuggets with tartar sauce or Sun Butter and Fluff on wholegrain bread with yogurt, cabbage slaw, tater tots, blueberry crisp.

Telstar

Thursday: Fish and cheese on a wholegrain roll, sweet potato bites, 4-bean salad, chilled peaches.

Friday: Teacher's Workshop. No school.

Monday: Cheeseburger on a wholegrain bun/Cook's Choice, baked beans, applesauce.

Tuesday: Mac and cheese with ham, dinner roll, steamed carrots, fruit cocktail.

Wednesday: Super nachos and salsa, corn, strawberries and bananas.

Thursday: Make your own rice bar, teriyaki dippers, rice pilaf, seasoned broccoli, juice choice, fresh pineapple.

Friday: Cook's choice/fish nuggets with tartar sauce, cabbage slaw, tater tots, blueberry crisp.

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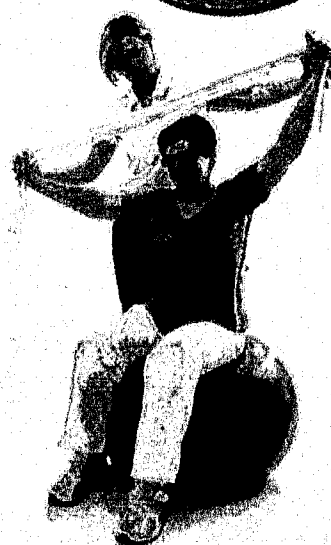
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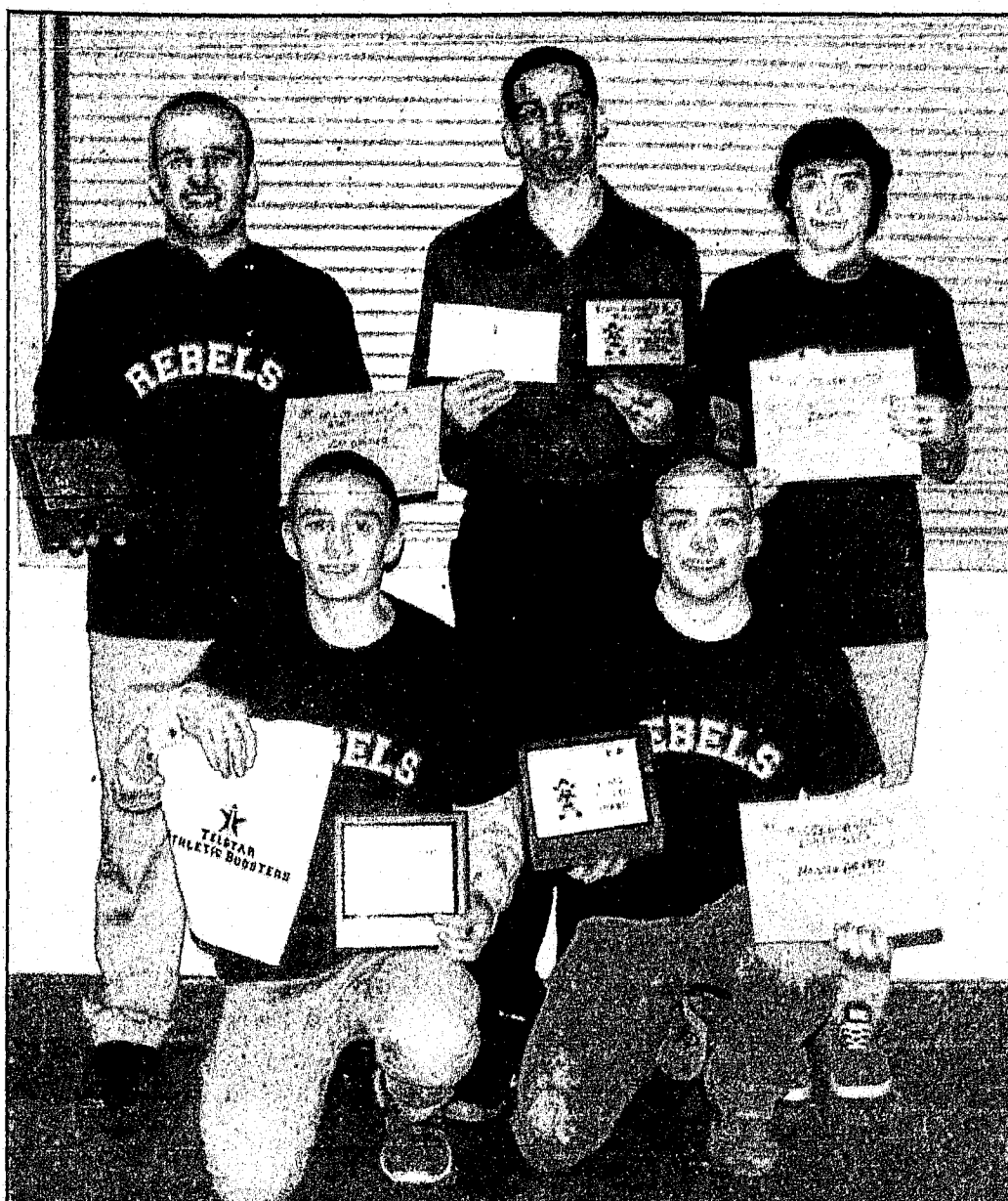
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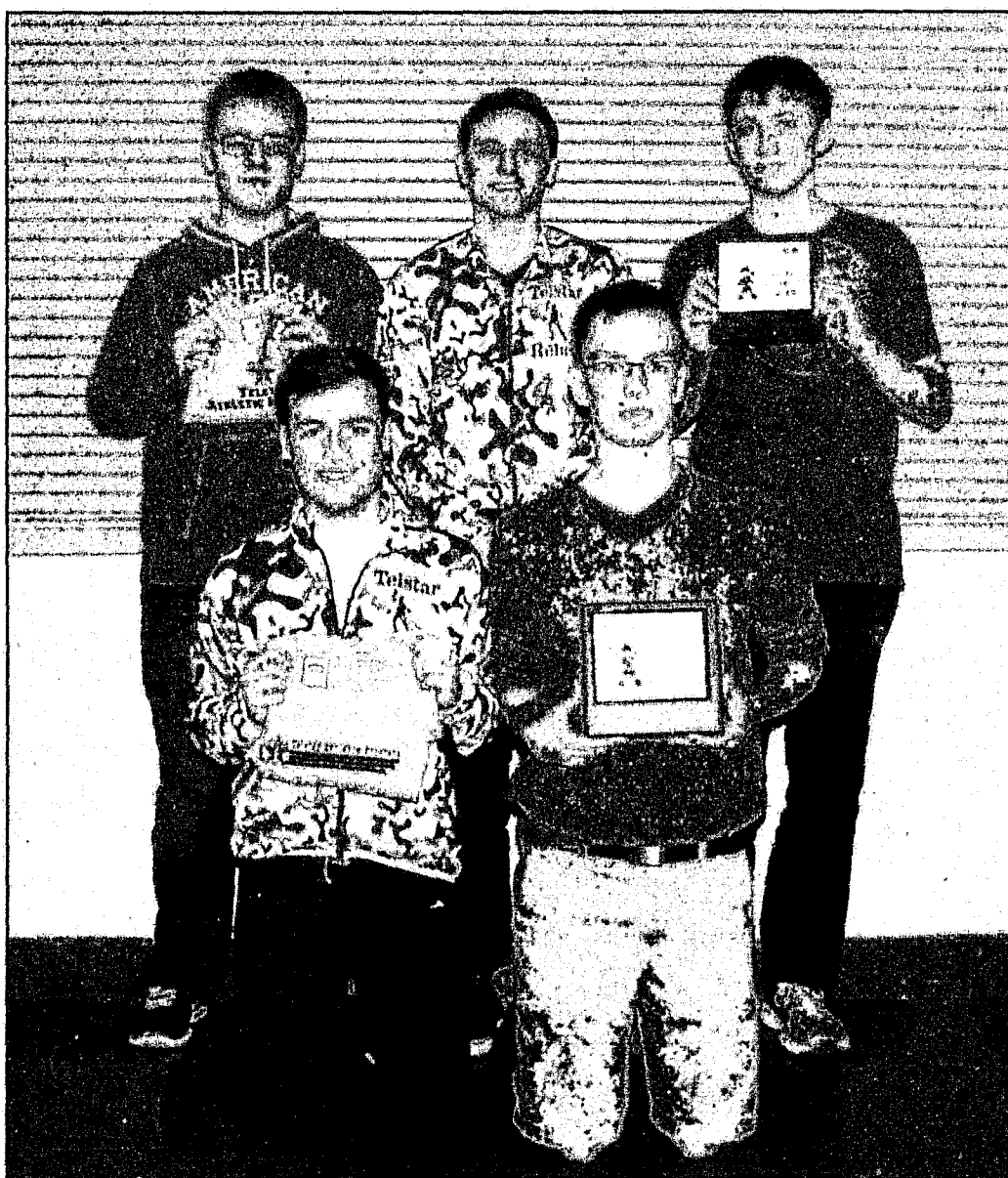
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TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL
Front: Avry Griffin (Hustle Award), Maverik Griffin (Defensive Player of the Year). Back: Zac Wheeler (Coach's Award), Michael Dougherty (Offensive Player of the Year), Zach Stone (Player of the Month).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL
From left: Becca Howard (Offense Award, MVC Honorable Mention, December Athlete of the Month); Savannah Pelletier (Coach's Award); Hayley Peterson (Hustle Award, MVC Honorable Mention, January Athlete of the Month). Absent Naomi Carr (Dedicated Rebel Award); Blair Stevens (Dedicated Rebel Award, February Athlete of the Month).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' ALPINE SKIING
Front: Liam Gallagher (Athlete of the Month); Greg Wheeler "Double A Award for Academics and Athletics). Luke Davis (Athlete of the Month); Kellen True (Hustle & MCV First Team All Star for Skimeister); James Newkirk (Teammate Award).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' ALPINE SKIING
From left: Paige Dutterer (Alpine Excellence, MVC Second Team All Star Giant Slalom, Athlete of the Month); Gabrielle Stone (MVC First Team All Star Skimeister, MVC First Team All Star Giant Slalom); Annalise Hawthorne (Athlete of the Month).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY SKIING
Front: Gaelen Boyle-Wight, Elijah Laird (Athlete of the Month). Back: Josh Elliot, Greg Wheeler (MVC Academic All Stars); Liam Gallagher (Nordic Coaches' Award, MVC Academic All Star, MVC Second Team Freestyle); Kellen True (Athlete of the Month, MVC Second Team for Classic, MVC First Team for Freestyle, MVC First Team for Ski Meister).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY SKIING
From left: Kaitlyn Brown, Athlete of the Month, MVC Second Team for Classic, Marta Ople, Gabrielle Stone Nordic Coaches' Award, MVC Second Team for Classic, MVC First Team for Freestyle, and MVC First Team for Ski Meister, Carla Boyle-Wight, Athlete of the Month, MVC First Team for Classic.

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Church Services

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Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Laird Bean. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corribeau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m. 1063 South Main St. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Senior Pastor and Nicholas Lutz, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults, teens and children; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30-6 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs-5th grade); Thursdays: 5-7 p.m. Middle and High School Youth Group. FMI: 207-824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel, Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wednesday evening 6 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Elaine Carter 415-9136, or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.

Episcopal House Church of Bethel - Meets usually the third Sunday of the month at 3 p.m. (winter) and 4 p.m. (summer). FMI 824-3226 or 824-3932.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Route 26). Fr. Gregory Dube may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street. Rev. Richard Bennett. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689.

United Methodist - 79 Main Street. Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship service 9 a.m. FMI: 824-2027.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533.

Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30 to 5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). FMI: 836-2828. Visit us on our Facebook page.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the

North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. (North Waterford and East Stoneham Congregational Churches will hold their joint services in the church on Route 5 in East Stoneham during May.) Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE'S MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 to 10 a.m. Choir practice at the church every Friday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 875-3355.

NORTH WATERFORD/STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish (North Waterford and East Stoneham) - Summer services at 9 a.m. in the North Waterford Church on Route 35 across from Melby's Eatery. On July 20 a special-and casual-church service will be held on the Fairgrounds during the Waterford World's Fair, with shuttle service available on site. In September, services will return to the East Stoneham Church, Route 5, and the regular hour of 10. All are welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wednesday Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 207-890-9944 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, South Paris. Pastor Nancy Moore. Sunday morning service 11 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m. FMI: 689-8000.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, South Paris across the park from the Post Office. FMI: call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Services Sunday at 9 a.m. and Wednesday at 9 a.m. Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-mail christch@megalink.net.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake. FMI 743-2491.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. FMI 743-2606.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11 a.m. worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI: 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each

month. FMI: 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. 276 King St. Oxford.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary. 364-2193.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave. Monday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Tuesday Mass 6:30 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Liturgy of the word 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Wednesday Mass 9 a.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Thursday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Friday Mass 8 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 4 p.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford; Saturday Mass 6 p.m., Our Lady of the Snows, Bethel; Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m., St. Athanasius and St. John's, Rumford.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 89 Congress St. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m. Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI: 364-3856.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. 207-388-2610.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - 208 Main St., W. Paris. 9 a.m. services September to June. FMI: Bob Clifford 674-3442.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth 6 p.m. Word of Life Olympians (kids club) 6 p.m. Wednesday. Ladies' Bible Study - Monday, 6:30 p.m. Food pantry for West Paris residents, first and third Tuesdays of month, 1-3 p.m. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Far-num, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Mid-week Service Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson 207-527-2551, Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. FMI: 824-8669.

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SCORE: Financial Planning for the Start-up Business

Oxford Hills SCORE is pleased to offer a workshop for start-up businesses on Thursday, March 19, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Norway Town Office Building, 19 Danforth Street, Norway. If you need sound advice on what it takes financially

to launch a new business, this workshop is for you. To accommodate your lunch hour, a light lunch will be served. This session will also benefit existing small businesses which may have limited financial expertise and need to understand the financials

and cash flow in a business operation. This workshop will cover the following essentials: Start-up Financial Planning; Operating in Today's Challenging Economy; Sound Financial Planning; The Importance of Cash Flow; What Lending Institutions are

Looking for. Our instructor is Neil Elder, Oxford Hills SCORE business mentor who spent 35 years in the banking industry focused on small business commercial lending. The majority of his career was spent in a small commercial bank located in a ru-

ral Maine community. Neil is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts and Stonier Graduate School of Banking. Please plan to register no later than Tuesday, March 17, to hold a seat. The fee for this workshop is \$20 per participant, including a light

lunch. We encourage returning Veterans of the Armed Services to attend this workshop at no charge. Register for the event by visiting <http://conta.cc/1zMMfUT>, or call SCORE (743-0499) with any questions about the workshop or registration.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours - No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Bethel Area Food Pantry; serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street.

Caregiver Support Group; Second Tuesday of the month, 10 to 11:30 a.m., West Paris Town Office, 26 Kingsbury Street. This group is for anyone caring for a family member or friend with memory loss. New members may join at any time. Free and open to the public. FMI: SeniorsPlus (1-800-427-1241).

Thursday, March 12

Ecumenical Lenten Lunch; 12 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. All are invited to set aside an hour to share in a soup lunch followed by a short message.

THS Project Graduation Fundraiser; 4 to 9 p.m., Applebee's Restaurant, Oxford. Applebee's Restaurant will donate 15 percent of patrons' bills (excluding taxes and tips) to help fund Telstar High School's Project Graduation activities. Those interested may pick up an invitation flyer from a THS senior class member or a project committee member, and bring it to Applebee's. All money raised will go toward sending the Class of 2015 to a full night of chemical free activities after Commencement.

Friday, March 13

Alder River Grange 145 Meeting; 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting, Stan Hall's home.

University of Maine Singers Concert; 7 p.m., Mark S. Eastman Auditorium, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Within the choir there are two sub-groups: the Maine Steiners and Renaissance whose focus is on contemporary a Capella. The show will be about an hour and forty minutes long and will feature a varied repertoire of music from the Baroque period to 20th century masterworks. Donations accepted at the door.

Saturday, March 14

MLT XC Ski to Frenchman's Hole; 11 a.m. The ski trip will be led by the Telstar cross country ski coach, beginning at the Twin Bridges on Sunday River Road. Take Sunday River Road off Route 2 east of Bethel and follow approximately seven miles, past Monkey Brook Road, the covered bridge and Outward Bound. At sharp left turn (Bull Branch Road), you will see two bridges. FMI: www.mahoosuc.org or 824-3806.

Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Workshop; 1 p.m., Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Speaker: Master Bee Keeper Chris Rogers of Backwoods Bee Farm. Topic: Spring Maintenance. Public is welcome. FMI: Kevin Farr (farrout@roadrunner.com) or mainehoneybees.com.

Woodstock Historical Society Meeting; 6 p.m., Woodstock Town Office Complex (weather permitting). Following the monthly business meeting, Mr. Rodney Jordan will speak about his memories of Woodstock in the 1930s and 1940s. All are welcome to attend.

Sunday, March 15

The Asylum Quartet; 2 p.m., St. Kieran Community Center for the Arts, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Award-winning saxophone chamber group. Tickets: \$12/adults, \$8/minors. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or information@stkieranarts.org.

Monday, March 16

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

Tuesday, March 17

Cooking Matters for Families; 3 to 5 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church. Cooking Matters for Families is a six session course that teaches children and their families skills and tips to make the most of family mealtime through hands on learning and group discussion. Topics include healthy cooking techniques, food safety, tips for smart shopping, budgeting tips to stretch food dollars, and more. Participating families receive free groceries for one recipe each week to prepare a meal at home. FMI/Registration: Nicole Berry (864-7408 or rvhccberry@gmail.com).

Wednesday, March 18

Ecumenical Lenten Lunch; 12 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. A soup lunch will be served followed by a short meditation. All are invited to this time of fellowship.

McLaughlin Garden Lecture; 4 p.m., 103 Main Street South Paris. Jean Potuchek will present "Garden Blogs: A Virtual Garden Club." Free and open to the public.

Public Forum for feedback on Gov. LePage's State Budget Proposal; 5:30 p.m., Bethel Town Office. Hosted by Senator John Patrick.

Public Hearing on Proposed Region 9 School of Applied Technology Budget; 6 p.m., Telstar Regional High School, Bethel.

MLT "These Are Your Farmers" presentation; 7 p.m., Gould Academy's McLaughlin Auditorium. (Snow date: March 25). To begin the evening, the film "Growing Local" will be shown. Following the film a representative of the Maine Farmland Trust will moderate a panel discussion among farmers in

our own area. FMI: www.mahoosuc.org or 824-3806.

Thursday, March 19

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Whitman Memorial Library Program; 2 p.m., Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Using old maps and pictures, local surveyor Barry Allen will give a brief history of early New England and Maine surveying, with a special emphasis on the surveying and lotting of the eastern half of the Town of Woodstock, known as the Gorham Academy Grant, based upon the original field notes of the surveyor, James Irish, Jr. The program is open to the public at no charge and light refreshments will be served.

"Blazing a Path to a Healthier Future" Event; 4 to 7:30 p.m., Telstar High School library. The Oxford County Wellness Collaborative will hold a special gathering to collectively decide a focus that all can agree on and commit to that will improve life across the county. Free and open to the public. Registration is requested due to limited space. Dinner will be provided. FMI/Registration: Brendan (739-6222).

Saturday, March 21

Andover Town Meeting; 9 a.m. at the Town Hall. **Peter T. Haines Memorial Baked Bean & Ham Supper;** 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Bethel Lodge, Chapman Street, Bethel. \$8/adults, \$4/children. FMI: Todd Davis (824-8282).

Monday, March 23

Woodstock Town Meeting; 7 p.m. at Woodstock Elementary School.

Wednesday, March 25

Ecumenical Lenten Lunch; 12 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. All are invited to a time of fellowship as we share a soup lunch followed by meditation. Set aside an hour in your day for this Lenten event.

McLaughlin Garden Lecture; 4 p.m., 103 Main Street South Paris. Pat Verrill will present "Growing Vegetables: Varieties and Tips." Free and open to the public.

Community Supper (No Charge); 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from Telstar parking lot). Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

Saturday, March 28

SAD 44 Science Fair/Expo; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Telstar cafeteria. Students will be offering demonstrations, the sixth grade will be sharing their science fair experiments and there will be several guest speakers! FMI: Kate Slattery (slatterk@sad44.org), Tonya Prentice (prentic@sad44.org), Sarah Southam (southams@sad44.org), or Marie Keane (KeaneM@sad44.org).

Bethel Rotary's 8th Annual Wine and Beer Tasting Event; 6 to 8 p.m., White Cap Lodge, Sunday River. \$30 per person. Proceeds benefit greater Bethel Community projects and scholarships. FMI: www.BethelRotary.org.

Gilead Town Meeting; 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Sunday, March 29

Bethel Rotary's Country Breakfast; 7:30 to 11 a.m., Ordway Hall, Gould Academy. Adults/\$7 (\$8 at the door), Children/\$3. Proceeds benefit greater Bethel Community projects and scholarships. FMI: www.BethelRotary.org.

"Low Commotion" Tuba Concert; 2 p.m., West Paris Library. Formed in 2013, Low Commotion is an ensemble of euphoniums (tenor tubas) and full sized tubas performing music from jazz and rock to classical. Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served following the concert. FMI: 674-2004.

Monday, March 30

Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or <http://meoc.maine.edu>. Free and open to the public.

Wednesday, April 1

McLaughlin Garden Lecture; 4 p.m., 103 Main Street South Paris. Jessica Badone will present "Designing with Perennials." Free and open to the public.

Saturday, April 4

Circus Olé! And Feast of Fools; 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30), Community Forum, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. This animal-free extravaganza showcases a spectacle of performers while proving a circus does not need live animals to thrill and entertain. All "live" animals are giant theatrical puppets created by Trash Into Art - a community collective founded by Rihah Newell that uses recycled materials to build puppets and street theater to illuminate social and environmental issues. \$10/adults, \$5/children 12 and under. FMI/Tickets: www.circus-ole.com or Ringmaster Rihah Newell (rihahnewell@gmail.com or 890-0545).

Monday, April 6

Beginner Adult Tap; Crescent Park School. Have you ever wanted to learn to tap, but never got to do it? This is your chance to learn... come join us and let's Shuffle Off to Buffalo. \$60.

Bridget Whitman uses a graded system when she teaches dance and it starts at the beginning and moves to next level. She does tap barre- center floor combinations...and more.

Socrates Café Meeting; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Water-

ford Library. Discussion topic: Climate Change, Part II: What Can We Do Collectively and Personally? Moderator: John Howe. Light refreshments and coffee provided. FMI and weather updates: 583-6957.

Icarus, Presented by Liars & Believers; 7 p.m., Hebron Academy. \$15/adults, students 18 and under/free. Icarus features an original Americana score by Nathan Leigh (Song of Songs) and the fantastical puppetry by Faye Dupras. Conceived and Directed by Jason Slavick, Music and Lyrics by Nathan Leigh. Written by The LAB Ensemble Puppetry Design and Direction by Faye Dupras, Lighting and Set Design by Aaron Sherkow, Costume Design by Kendra Bell. FMI: www.liarsandbelievers.com.

Tuesday, April 7

Formal Public Meeting on Androscoggin River Bridge; 6 p.m., Bethel Town Office. MDOT representatives will listen to concerns, receive comments and answer questions from anyone with an interest in the future rehabilitation of the Androscoggin River Bridge in Bethel.

Icarus, Presented by Liars & Believers; 7 p.m., Gould Academy. \$15/adults, students 18 and under/free. To purchase tickets visit www.mahoosucarts.org or call 824-3575. Icarus features an original Americana score by Nathan Leigh (Song of Songs) and the fantastical puppetry by Faye Dupras. Conceived and Directed by Jason Slavick, Music and Lyrics by Nathan Leigh. Written by The LAB Ensemble Puppetry Design and Direction by Faye Dupras, Lighting and Set Design by Aaron Sherkow, Costume Design by Kendra Bell. FMI: www.liarsandbelievers.com.

Wednesday, April 8

Pinterest Workshop; 9 to 10:30 a.m., the Bethel Inn Resort, 21 Broad Street, Bethel. Whitney Moreau with Nancy Marshall Communications will walk attendees through the basics of Pinterest, teaching how to create a profile and optimize it for traffic, strategies for surpassing competition, successful content creation and more. \$25 for members of any chambers of commerce and business associations that serve Oxford County and \$30 for nonprofits, businesses and others that are not a chamber member. To register for the workshop go to www.wmedc.org and click on Events or contact Mia Purcell at Community Concepts Finance Corporation, 739-6543 or mpurcell@community-concepts.org.

Thursday, April 9

Ballroom Dancing; Have you always wanted to take a ballroom class or just want to refresh your memory? This class is for you. This is a 6 week adult class. You will learn the basics of waltz, tango, cha-cha, and swing. Come with a partner and dance the night away and have a great time with instructor Bridget Whitman. Tuition: \$75/couple, \$35/single. FMI/Registration: 824-2780.

Saturday, April 11

American Legion Post 72 Indoor Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church Street, South Paris. To reserve your table, call Jean (743-7965). Yard sale tables are \$10, vendor tables are \$15. Lunch counter will be open, 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets. Come join the fun and help support the ladies auxiliary send three young ladies to Girl State.

April 16 and 26

Hunter Safety - Firearms; Thursday, 6 to 9 p.m., Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Telstar High School Library. Study includes proper operation and use of equipment, maps and compass; first aid and survival laws; and land-owner relations and ethics. Participants must be 10 years old or older; those 10-12 years old must be accompanied by an adult. \$10 per person. This is a Home Study course. Materials will be handed out and explained at the other class. Student must attend all classes. Limit 25. Call soon for this class fills up quickly! FMI/Registration: 824-2780 or <http://sad44.maineadulted.org>.

Friday, May 1

Animal Communication Talk/Potluck; 6 p.m. potluck (bring a dish to share), 7 p.m. talk, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge, North Newry. Nancy Hohmann will talk about animal communication. Donations accepted to benefit Responsible Pet Care. FMI: 824-2073.

Saturday, May 2

Old Fashioned Barn Dance/Potluck; 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. concert, 8 p.m. dance, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge, North Newry. All dances are taught. Beginners are welcome. Cost is \$10, children under 16 half-price. FMI: 824-2073.

Wednesday, May 6

Vote on Proposed Region 9 School of Applied Technology Budget; Region 9 School of Applied Technology, 377 River Road, Mexico.

Saturday, May 9

American Legion Post 72 Indoor Yard Sale; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church Street, South Paris. To reserve your table, call Jean (743-7965). Yard sale tables are \$10, vendor tables are \$15. Lunch counter will be open, 50/50 raffle and raffle baskets. Come join the fun and help support the ladies auxiliary send three young ladies to Girl State.

May 15, 16 and 17

15th Annual Home Garden Flower Show, May Fair; Fryeburg Fairgrounds. Seven buildings filled with almost 300 plus booths on home and energy and 9 garden centers, garden artisans and crafters, plus five acres of outdoor products for the home and garden and other related businesses. The famous Meet the Chefs Cooking Series, Lodge Cast Iron Skillet Toss, Home and Garden Seminars, Kids activities and demonstrations. Guest speakers, fair food and more. General Admission \$10. Children 10 and under free. Group rates available. FMI: www.homegardenshow.com or 800-359-2033.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DO YOU CALL A SLOPPY LITTLE CAT?

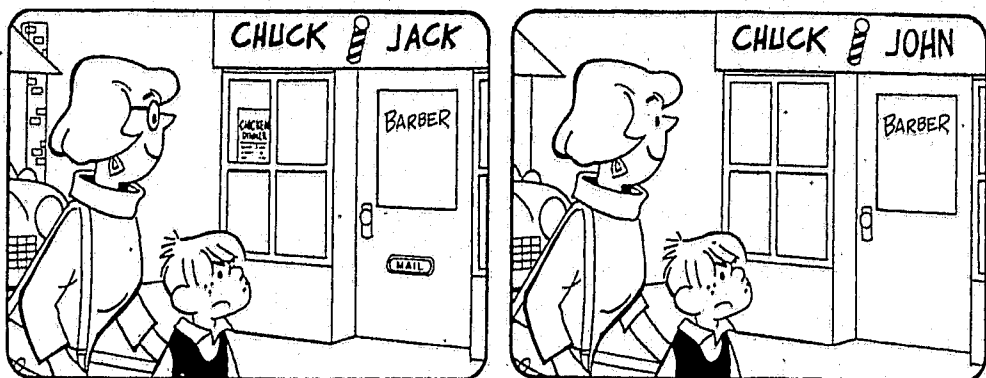
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Chimpney is missing. 2. Glasses are missing. 3. Shirt sleeve is shorter. 4. Poster is missing. 5. Name on sign is different. 6. Mail slot is missing.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: J equals R

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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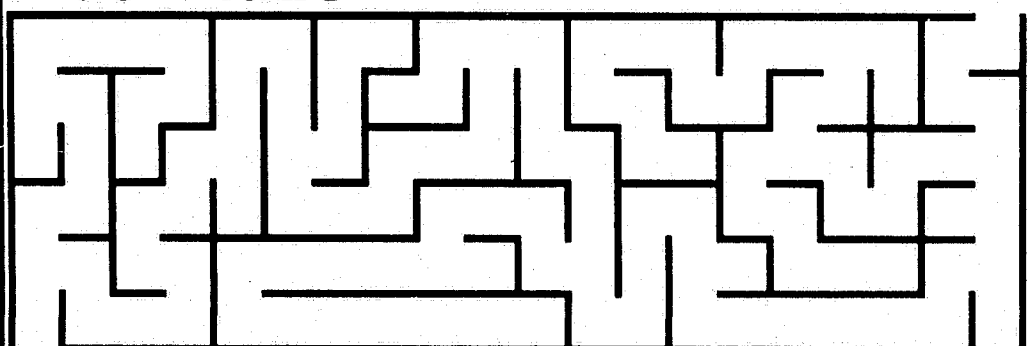
"I'm late for my appointment — there's an extra five bucks for you if I miss it altogether!"

Super Crossword

PICTURE OF JOY

- ACROSS**
- 1 Will of "Men in Black"
 - 6 Took back as one's own
 - 15 Online money
 - 20 Hidden store
 - 21 Very small blood vessel
 - 22 One of the Obama girls
 - 23 Al of "Today"
 - 24 Joker's self-satisfied expression
 - 25 Base for a jazz chord
 - 26 Aids in local orientation
 - 28 Large black-and-tan terrier
 - 30 Loses
 - 31 Clean up, as a program
 - 36 Scholarly sorts
 - 37 True-crime writer Rule
 - 38 Fiery insects
 - 40 Onyx, e.g.
 - 41 — Beach (city near San Luis Obispo)
 - 44 Forgiveness of sins
 - 46 "The Greek" of film
 - 50 Voice range
 - 51 Just-released
 - 52 Lighter name
 - 53 Stoooge with a bowl cut
 - 55 Biblical kingdom
 - 56 Eurasian deer
 - 57 2003 Julia Roberts film
 - 61 Blvds.
 - 62 Blvd.
 - 63 Like galaxies
 - 64 Engages completely
 - 65 Pro at first aid
 - 66 Sea, in Nice
 - 67 Show delight in one's achievement
 - 69 Kind of snake
 - 70 See 103-Down
 - 71 Fish that may be jellied
 - 72 Places for 11-Downs
 - 73 Previously named
 - 74 Osaka sash
 - 75 Pure chance
 - 78 Thus far, on a quarterly
 - 79 "I Got Rhythm" composer
 - 81 Cake froster
 - 82 Quite a few
 - 84 Lock lips
 - 85 — Decor (magazine)
 - 86 Scornful, negative sort
 - 88 Sports cars
 - 92 — on a true story
 - 93 Line of Canon cameras
 - 95 Created, as havoc
 - 96 Comic Abbott
 - 97 Spice from a crocus
 - 101 Johnson's successor
 - 102 Receivers' counterparts
 - 106 Like the U.S. flag, in terms of hues
 - 108 Bush pilot's runway
 - 109 U.N.'s Kofi
 - 110 Pleased look (as depicted by this puzzle's grid)
 - 116 Pacific island kingdom
 - 117 Washer cycle
 - 118 Too
 - 119 Pungent bulb
 - 120 Adjust, as a watch
 - 121 Gizmo that squeezes grapes
 - 122 British nobles
 - 1 "Skedaddle!"
 - 2 New Zealand native
 - 3 Clinton adviser
 - 4 Mission to remember
 - 5 Spanish for "brother"
 - 6 Coarse files
 - 7 Daily of strife
 - 8 Pt. of NATO
 - 9 Tierra — Fuego
 - 10 Suffix with transit
 - 11 Hog
 - 12 Craggy hill
 - 13 Director
 - 14 Leary of
 - 15 Emilio of the Brat Pack
 - 16 Spice of the ginger family
 - 17 Filipino, e.g.
 - 18 Will, biblically
 - 19 Styx locale
 - 27 Writer Rand
 - 29 Inferior paper
 - 31 JFK or FDR's party
 - 32 Food quality
 - 33 Foundation
 - 34 Without injury
 - 35 VW model
 - 38 Heat up again
 - 39 Actress Elke
 - 41 Lifesaver at an accident scene
 - 42 Sitcom featuring the Ricardos
 - 43 Helm holders
 - 44 Avis offering
 - 45 Clamorous quality
 - 47 Games played on January 1
 - 48 Robin's ride
 - 49 Refrained from voting
 - 51 Tiny biting fly
 - 54 Evasive types
 - 57 Silents star
 - 58 Statutes
 - 59 Small drinks
 - 60 Some swords
 - 68 — for fat
 - 76 Attaché
 - 77 Be aware of
 - 79 Encircle with a belt
 - 80 Slab marking a grave
 - 83 Spun thread
 - 84 Sharp-witted
 - 87 Small crown
 - 89 Agnus — (lamb figure)
 - 90 Kenny G's specialty
 - 91 Ref's ring decision
 - 92 Public pickup point
 - 94 Fa-la linkup
 - 96 Liquor server
 - 97 Ringo of rock
 - 98 Palmer of the links
 - 99 Swedes' neighbors
 - 100 Not at all, in the sticks
 - 102 Jetties
 - 103 With 70-
 - Across, 2012 British Open winner
 - 104 Strictness
 - 105 Runs across
 - 107 Sitar star
 - 108 Experts
 - 111 Place for an 11-Down
 - 112 Start to fix?
 - 113 "Indeedy"
 - 114 Not near
 - 115 Become old

Kids' Maze

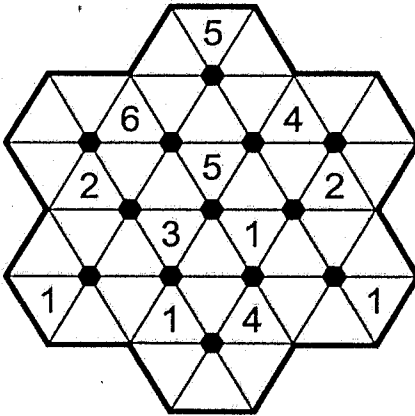


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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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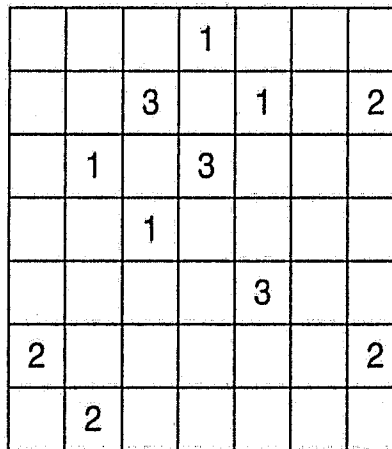
◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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Star★Map

By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram below so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



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Kids' Maze Solution

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Today's Word

3. Adorn; 4. Spice

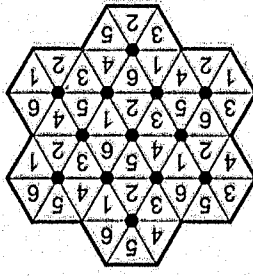
1. Stray; 2. Dental

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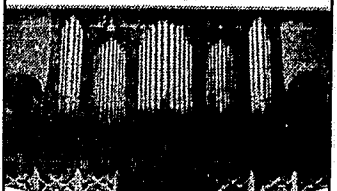
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Obituaries



CLEMENT WORCESTER

Clement R. Worcester, 72, died Friday, March 6 at his 23 Baby Brook Lane Residence in Hanover. Clem passed comfortably with his family at his side. A lifetime resident of Hanover, he attended elementary school in Hanover and Rumford and in 1961 graduated from Stephens High School in Rumford. Clem also completed a correspondence course in land surveying.

For several years in the 1960s, Clem was in the National Guard and he was employed by the Maine Forest Service, initially manning fire watchtowers on Saddleback and West Kennebago Mountains. Then he became a Forest Ranger overseeing the Richardson and Mooselookung Lakes. In 1979 he entered the real estate field as a sales person at Hayden Realty. In the mid-1990s he obtained his Designated Brokers License and founded View

Point Agency. Clem's busy life included being a self-employed carpenter and harvesting timber with his son. For many years until his retirement in 2014 Clem served as Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Civil Defense Director and Cemetery Sexton in Hanover, and being a Notary Public, he was offered opportunities to officiate at many weddings. For several years he served on the Board of Directors at Vocational Region 9 School of Applied Technology in Mexico.

Clem was a dedicated long-term member of the Knights of Pythias where he attained the positions of Grand Secretary, Grand Chancellor and Supreme Representative for the State of Maine. He also created and published a Knights of Pythias website.

Clem enjoyed telling and writing stories using the pen name Stubbie Thickett for submissions for publication. For several years he wrote the Hanover news column for the Bethel Citizen. Throughout his life Clem enjoyed hobbies including photography, hiking, fishing, playing the guitar and woodworking, but his primary focus was always his devotion to the wellbeing of his family. He always went above and beyond for his family members.

Donna (Peare) Worcester and Clem were married Jan. 16, 1976. Donna survives along with their son Brian Worcester and fiancée Andrea of Mexico; daughter Jenny Tirrell and son-in-law Matt of Oxford; daughter-in-law Sara Worcester of Carthage; grandchildren Kaylynn, Shawnee, Makala, Ashley and Kolby; two brothers, David Worcester of Hanover and William Worcester and his wife Gail of Hanover. Additionally, Clem has many loving nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, and sisters-in-law.

Clem was predeceased by his father and mother Frank and Louise (Brown) Worcester and his father and mother-in-law John and Alyce Peare.

The family of Clement Richard Worcester extends deepest appreciation to those at Bethel Family Health Center, Rumford Hospital, and Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice who assisted Clem and his family through this most difficult phase of his beautiful life, a life he so generously shared with all.

A memorial service will be held at the Hanover Cemetery in the spring. Donations in Clem's memory can be made to Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, P.O. Box 64, Hanover, Maine 04237. Donations can also be sent to the Andover Food Pantry, c/o Linda Couture, 32 Whipporwill Road, Rumford Maine 04276.



CYNTHIA KRAUSS

Cynthia Chapin Krauss, 64, of Falmouth, died Monday, March 2, 2015. She was born on July 5, 1950 to Charles (Pete) and Pauline (Bean) Chapin. Cindy grew up in Bethel. She attended Gould Academy and went on to graduate from the University of Maine where she earned her BS in Education.

She took great pride in her 35 year career as a kindergarten and first grade teacher, where she touched hundreds of young lives.

Her many interests included reading, knitting, horseback riding, trips to the beach, her dog and above all spending time with her family.

She is survived by her loving husband of 42 years, Kenneth Krauss, her daughter Miranda Ducharme (Gregory), of Stratham, N.H., her son Curtis Krauss (Sarah) of Bluffton, S.C., her sister Nancy Brown (Dennis) of Falmouth, and her sister MaryAnn Baker (Chris) of Collierville, Tenn., along with several nieces.

Unselfish to a fault, Cindy was loved by many for

her caring personality and genuine kindness. Her bright smile will always be remembered. Her spirit lives on through her greatest love, her grandchildren Will, Kate and Tucker. A celebration of her life took place on Friday March 6. Online condolences can be given to the family at www.jones-richardhutchins.com.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Gosnell Hospice House, 11 Hunnewell Road, Scarborough, Maine 04074.

Births

SWAN

Bethany Danforth and Doug Swan of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Grady Paul Swan, born on Feb. 25, 2015 at 10:45 p.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 1 ounce.

Maternal grandparents are Donna and Bruce Danforth of South Woodstock.

Paternal grandparents are Dorothy Swan of West Bethel and Jeffrey Swan of Hanover.

YATES

Yrall and Tanya Yates of Rumford are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Tyrrell Aspen Yates, born on Feb. 22, 2015 at 8:17 p.m. at Rumford Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 1 ounce and measuring 19.5 inches.

Maternal grandparents are John Corriveau of Gilead and Christine Lane of Rumford.

Paternal grandparents are Larry and Carol Yates of Andover.

Maternal great-grandparents are Jack and Maxine Corriveau of Gilead.

Tyrrell joins three siblings, Jyrrmal, Nataley and Lorylai.

PALMAN

Jasmine Fyrberg and Cole Palman of Minot are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Chloe Marie Palman, born on Feb. 22, 2015 at 5:17 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Lana and the late Glenn Fyrberg of Andover. Paternal grandmother is Cathleen Palman of South Paris.

Chloe joins two brothers, Collin 4 and Carter 22 months.

BROWN

Jessica Mills and Steven Brown of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Thomas Eugene Brown, born on Feb. 9, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9 pounds 7 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Debra Mills of Albany and Ronnie Mills of Rumford.

Paternal grandparents are Katey and Eugene Mills of Lovell.

Thomas joins a sister, Katelynn 10 and a brother, Alexand Brown 17.

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Wife, Mother, Brothers, Sisters



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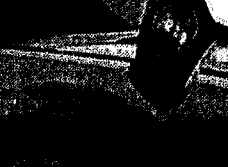
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would like to thank friends, neighbors and family members who have given support after his recent hip surgery.

Throughout the healing process he has been blessed to have a great team from Androscoggin Home Health: Leann our RN, Jennifer the Physical Therapist, and Michelle our CNA. We also want to thank the great staff and doctors at Stephen's Memorial Hospital—the care and the compassion was top notch. Also we appreciate the help that came in the form of the Bethel Ambulance Team and the crew from PACE. A BIG THANK YOU to Gary Clegg and his friend for being there to call 911 and for getting us the help we needed. It still goes to show that folks are still around to help one another when the chips are down.

A special thank you to his nephew, Kenny Bachelder for being our "Chief Snow Removal Guy." He was also there every time we called. A personal thank you goes to his daughters Bea Leonard and Melissa Palmer-Karas for caring and making daily phone calls to check in on the healing process. Lastly to his loving wife, Louise Palmer—she has been the angel that was needed to get him back on his feet.

Again-- thank you to all-- it really has helped in some many ways.

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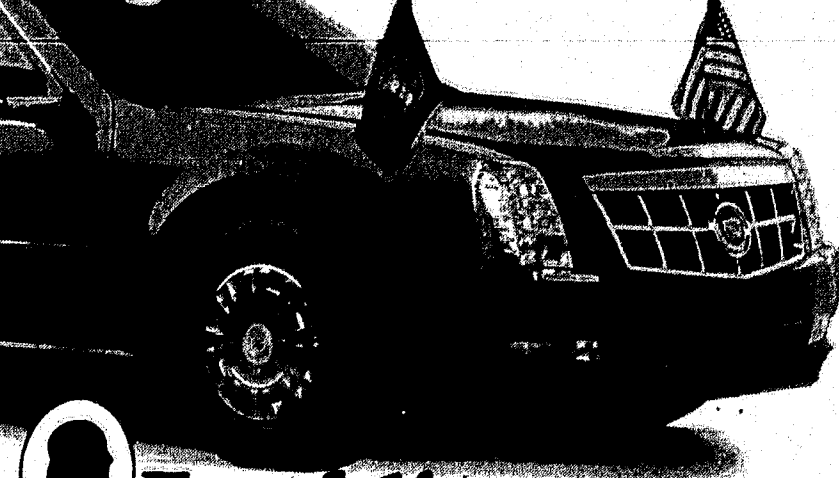
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